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HOLMES CO. MAN KILLED BY FALL

Aden J. Miller, 48, of Millersburg R5, Ohio; died at 2:45 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 18, at Timken Mercy Hospital at Canton. A self-employed building contractor, he fell Jan. 2nd and suffered a broken neck and his back was broken at several places, but he was conscious. He was working on a scaffold, up about ten feet, on a house. They usually had plywood on the back side of the scaffold, but had it directly on new wood. It gave way and he fell off. He was single and had worked at carpenter trade since his youth. (See obituary)

BURNS FATAL TO IND. MAN

Joseph E. Hershberger, 74, Goshen R1, Ind., died Jan. 25th from burns received the evening before. He suffered first, second and third degree burns, which covered 85 to 90 percent of his body, when a kerosene lantern ignited a blanket in his farm home east of Goshen at 8:25 p.m. Friday, the 24th. Joe had a habit of wrapping a blanket around his legs and then placing a kerosene lantern under his legs to warm himself. The blanket apparently caught fire when he fell asleep. Joe made it out to the porch and called for his daughter, Ida, who had been in the barn. A passing car stopped to help and also their neighbor, Jesse Slabach, helped to smother the flames and wrap Joe in a blanket. He was taken to Goshen General Hospital by ambulance and from there he was rushed to the Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis, where he died the next morning. (See obituary)

81-YEAR-OLD MAN BROKE HIP

Min. Jeff Kaufman, 81, Arthur, Ill., was to see his son, Feltys, Dec. 31st. When they came home as they were unloading Jeff fell and broke his hip. He was taken to the Tuscola Hospital and then transferred to the Decatur Hospital, where a plate was put in. He is at home but doesn't rest too well some times and his mind is somewhat disturbed at times. He has lost considerably much weight.

LANCASTER CO. CHICKEN HOUSE FIRES

The chicken house on the farm of Henry K. Blank, Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa., was destroyed by fire Dec. 28th, which started from a leaky gas lantern. Ten thousand laying hens burned with a loss of $15,000 to chickens and approximately $75,000 to building and contents.

A $100,000 fire destroyed a chicken house owned by Lloyd J. Stoltzfus of Gordonville R1, Pa., in Hatville, early Tuesday morning, Jan. 21st. The blaze, which broke out at 12:45 a.m., killed 22,000 chickens. The fire resulted from a malfunctioning heating unit. Twelve units were on each floor of the two-story chicken house. It measured 40 by 200 feet. The fire was fed by the gas and dust from chicken feed, both which are highly flamnable. Bitter cold weather of two degrees above zero also affected the fire fighting, some lines and pumps froze as soon as they were shut down.

AUDRAIN CO., MO. SAWMILL MISHAP

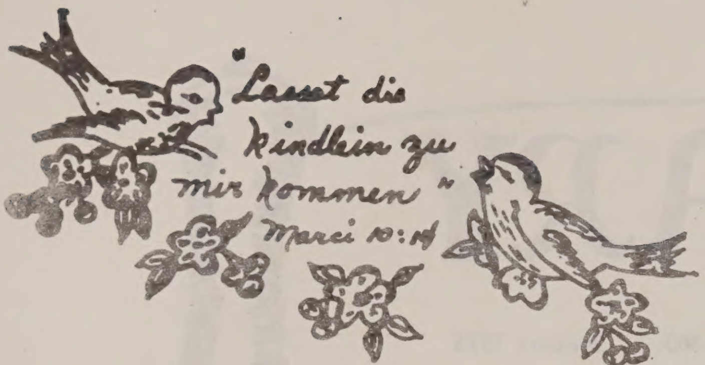
Reuben C. Yoder, 28, of Clark, a sawmill owner and operator, had the misfortune of breaking his leg at the ankle, Jan. 30th, when a stack of lumber overbalanced, falling toward him, hitting the lower part of his leg and foot. He was in Boone County Hospital in Columbia three days, where he had surgery to put in a screw.

MILROY, INDIANA ACCIDENT

Roman M. Miller, 37, got two fingers cut off just in front of the first joint when trying to put a V-belt on a pulley. They took some skin off of his left side to graft on the hand. He had it bandaged at the Indianapolis Hospital and is at home again.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Lancaster Co., Pa.

Four folks in their nineties died during a period of four weeks. Daniel S. King, 92, died Dec. 30; Barbara Smoker, 96, died Jan. 17; Arie K. Stoltzfus, 90, died Jan. 24; and Moses S. King, 94, died Jan. 25. (See obituaries)



BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Amos E. (Lovina Yoder) Strasburg R1 a daughter **KATIE MAE**, January 3

BEILER, David L. (Elizabeth S. Beiler) Ronks R1 a son **CHRISTIAN B.**, January 2

BEILER, Ezra H. (Elizabeth K. Stoltzfoos) New Providence R1, a son **EZRA JR.**, January 20

EBERSOL, David F. (Rebecca F. Beiler) Gap R1 a son **DANIEL**, January 11

ESCH, Elam G. (Anna S. King) Ronks R1 a son **MERVIN**, January 26

ESH, David B. (Mary F. Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1 a son **ALLEN S.**, January 2

FISHER, Amos S. (Anna S. Glick) 2478 Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, a son **STEVEN**, January 26

FISHER, Gideon F. (Anna Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1 a son **ELAM**, January 19

FISHER, Jacob J. (Barbara K. Esh) Strasburg R1 a son **ISAAC K.**, January 6

FISHER, Levi L. (Sadie Stoltzfus) Gap R1 a daughter **NAOMI S.**, January 23

GLICK, Omar (Barbara Stoltzfus) Gap R1 a son **ELMER**, January 6

KAUFFMAN, Jacob B. (Mary S. Stoltzfus) Christiana R1, a daughter **EMMA Z.**, January 12

KING, Amos (Barbara Stoltzfus) Ronks R1 a daughter **MARY**, January 28

KING, David (Elizabeth Beiler) Lititz R1 a son **DANIEL**, January 11

KING, Isaac (Fannie Smucker) Quarryville R3 a daughter **MALINDA S.**, January 1

KING, Jacob K. (Barbara Beiler) Willow Street R1 a son **JACOB B.**, January 10

KING, John B. (Barbara Zook) Paradise R1 a daughter **BARBARA Z.**, January 4

LANTZ, Jonathan (Sara Beiler) Gordonville R1 a daughter **NAOMI**, January 14

LAPP, Emanuel B. (Lizzie E. King) New Holland R1 a son **BENUEL K.**, January 26

LAPP, Enos K. (Mary S. Stoltzfus) Ronks R1 a son **JACOB S.**, January 26

LAPP, Jesse J. (Barbara S. Lapp) Ronks R1 a daughter **BARBARA L.**, January 7

LAPP, Levi A. (Rachel K. Fisher) Quarryville R2 a daughter **LIZZIE**, January 23

MILLER, Elam S. (Mary F. Esh) Christiana R1 a daughter **RACHEL L.**, January 8

MILLER, Jacob B. (Rebecca S. Petersheim) Bird-in-Hand R1, a son **ABNER J.**, January 14

RIEHL, John F. (Lydia P. Stoltzfus) New Providence R1, a son **BENUEL S.**, January 20

STOLTZFUS, Amos N. (Sarah F. Stoltzfus) Nottingham R2, a son **SAMUEL J.**, January 8

STOLTZFUS, Christian F. (Nancy K. Glick) Strasburg R1, a son **AARON G.**, January 27

STOLTZFUS, Daniel L. (Annie Fisher) Lititz R2 a son **STEPHEN**, January 8

STOLTZFUS, Jacob S. (Sarah Smucker) 2936 Stumptown Rd., Ronks R1, a daughter **MARY S.**, Jan. 22

STOLTZFUS, Jacob M. (Annie Beiler) Christiana R1 a daughter **BARBARA B.**, January 28

STOLTZFUS, John B. Jr. (Rachel King) Ronks R1 a son **ABNER K.**, January 18

STOLTZFUS, Levi E. (Barbara B. Fisher) Honey Brook R1, a daughter **PRISCILLA**, January 21

STOLTZFUS, Mark (Priscilla Stoltzfus) Morgantown R1, a daughter **ANNA**, January 22

STOLTZFUS, Moses K. (Leah King) Ronks R1 a daughter **FANNIE K.**, January 29

STOLTZFUS, Omar (Sara Katharine Flaud) Bird-in-Hand R1, a daughter **BARBIE**, January 8

STOLTZFUS, Samuel K. (Lydia S. Beiler) Kirkwood R1, a daughter **ANNIE**, January 12

STOLTZFUS, Samuel M. (Rebecca S. Stoltzfus) Narvon R1, a son **AMOS S.**, January 11

Dover, Delaware

BEACHY, Lewis H. (Mary Ann Miller) Dover R2 a daughter, January 24

DETWEILER, Henry, Jr. (Barbara Ann Byler) DoverR2 a daughter **MARY ANN**, January 31

MAST, Samuel D. (Lena Miller) Dover R2 a son **RAYMOND**, January 11

MILLER, David A. (Emma Yoder) Dover R5 a stillborn son, January 31

St. Mary's County, Maryland

HOSTETLER, John (Lydia Hertzler) Charlotte Hall a son **AARON**, January 30

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Bradford County, Pennsylvania

HERSHBERGER, Andy (Sally Ann) Rome
a son JONAS, January 5
HERSHBERGER, (Ada Miller) Wyalusing
a daughter KATIE ANN, January 22
MILLER, Ervin (Katie Byler) LeRaysville
a daughter BARBARA, January 7

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

FISHER, Benuel S..(Mary Kauffman) Myerstown R2
a daughter IDA, January 9
KING, David Z..(Emma Lapp) Myerstown R2
a son BENUEL, January 8
STOLTZFUS, Christ K..(Emma Fisher) Newmanstown
a son GIDEON, November 27, 1974

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

KANAGY, Sam R..(Ada Wengerd) Mifflintown R2
a daughter SADIE, January 30
SWAREY, Crist K..(Alta Byler) Mifflintown R2
a daughter MALINDA, January 29

Centre County, Pennsylvania

STOLTZFUS, Tobias D. (Fannie B. Zook)
a daughter LIZZIE, January 11

Snyder and Mifflin Counties, Pennsylvania

HOSTETLER, Rufus Y. (Mary Hostetler) McClure
a stillborn daughter, January 28
HOSTETLER, Samuel J..(Rhoda Yoder) Reedsville
a daughter MIRIAM, January 15

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

KANAGY, Menno (Mary Swarey) Belleville
a son LEWIS, January 5
KANAGY, Samuel (Mary Peachey) Allensville
a son NOAH, January 23
PEACHEY, Benjamin (Sadie Yoder) Belleville
a son BENNIE, January 26
PEACHEY, Jonas (Ella Kanagy) Belleville
a son JOSEPH, January 3
PEIGHT, Samuel (Annie Peachey) Belleville
a son THOMAS, January 6
ZOOK, Jonas (Sarah Detweiler) Allensville
a daughter ELIZABETH, January 25
ZOOK, Urie (Ella Byler) Belleville
a son ISRAEL, January 25

Oakland, Maryland

BEACHY, Peter (Susie Zook)
a son PETER, JR., January 7

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Ben B..(Mary Troyer)
a daughter IRENE, January
MULLET, Levi J. (Sarah Raber)
a son LEROY, January 18

Geauga County, Ohio

DETWEILER, Albert D. and Mary Ann
a son DANNIE, January 17
FISHER, Ervin D..(Naomi Slaubach)
a daughter, January 3
KURTZ, Joe D, (Linda Miller)
a daughter LINDA, December 26
MILLER, Andy A.L. (Anna Burkholder)
a daughter, January 2
MILLER, Chester H. and Clara
a son JOE, January 19
MILLER, John A.M..and wife
a son DANIEL
MILLER, John H..and wife Katherine
a son, January 3
MILLER, Jonas J. and wife
a son January 5
MILLER, Raymond D. (Sadie J.. Byler)
a son DANNIE, , January 3
TROYER, Albert L..(Saloma Wengerd)
a son FIRMAN, January 21
WENGERD, Eli E.(Lydia Miller)
a son AMOS, December 10

Holmes County, Ohio

BURKHOLDER, John D..(Susie Miller) Baltic R1
a daughter ERMA, December 31
GINGERICH, Christ F. and wife , Fredericksburg R1
a son January 3
HERSHBERGER, David E, (Ada Miller) Holmesville R1
a son MARVIN, October 25, 1974
HERSHBERGER, David J..(Martha Schlabach) Fredericksburg R2, a son AARON, January 18
HERSHBERGER, Enos and wife, Millersburg Star Rt.
a daughter LYDIANA, December 27
HERSHBERGER, Robert (Iva M.Miller) Dundee R2
a son JACOB, January 28
KAUFFMAN, Atlee (Ella Burkholder) Millersburg R5
a daughter RUBY ELLEN, January 16
MILLER, Amos J. (Edna Mullet) Millersburg Star Rt.
a daughter MIRIAM, October 24, 1974
MILLER, Andy (Hershberger) Millersburg R5
a son ANDY, JR., December 30
MILLER, Jonas S..(Mary Yoder) Millersburg R4
a son RAY, December 31
MILLER, Monroe, Jr. (Lovina Hershberger) Millersburg Star Rt., a daughter SHARON ELIZABETH, Nov. 1
MILLER, Noah A. M. (Lydia Ann Yoder) Baltic R1
a son, January 10
MILLER, Roy (Elmina Schlabach) Millersburg R5
a son DAVID, December 28
MILLER, Sam N. (Lydia Hershberger) Fredericksburg R1 , a daughter FANNIE, December 21
MILLER, Wayne R.(Sarah Swartzentruber) Dundee R2
a daughter ESTHER, January 18
RABER, Aden B. (Mary Coblentz) Baltic R1
a daughter LEONA. December 30
RABER, Levi V.. (Katie Yoder) Millersburg R4
a son FELTY, December 27
STUTZMAN, Jonas P. (Ada Mast) Feedericksburg R1
a son DAVID, January 1
STUTZMAN, Melvin J..(Rebecca Miller) Millersburg R3
a son LEVI, January 15
TROYER, Henry A. (Lizzie Miller) Baltic R1
a daughter, January 20
TROYER, Norman J. (Karen Ann Slabach)
a son
TROYER, Paul U. (Effie Miller) Mt.Hope
a son DUANE RAY, January 2
WEAVER, Andy B, (Betty Raber) Dundee R2
a daughter ESTA, January 18
WEAVER, Eli B. (Verba Schlabach)
a son ERVIN, January 28

BIRTHS, Continued

Holmes County, Ohio, Continued

WEAVER, Paul E, (Weaver) Millersburg R5 a daughter ERMA, December 30
WENGERD, Crist (Edna Kuhns) Holmesville R1 a daughter ANNA MARIE, December 5
YODER, Ben A. (Fannie Hershberger) Baltic R1 a daughter EDNA, January 9
YODER, Jonas J. (Mabel Miller) Baltic R1 a son REUBEN, January 11
YODER, Nelson A. (Lizzie Ann Raber) Millersburg R2 a daughter VERNA, January 8
YODER, Paul J. (Mary Yoder) a son STEVEN, December 28
YODER, Roman E.J.. (Barbara Miller) Millersburg R3 a daughter ELSIE, December 31

Wayne County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Aden J.. (Anna Miller) Winesburg, a son MARVIN, December 29
HERSHBERGER, Enos D.. (Fannie Hershberger) Dundee R1, a daughter SUSIE, January 26
HERSHBERGER, Jonas Jr. (Naomi Schlabach) Apple Creek R2, a daughter SUSAN, January 15
HERSHBERGER, Roy L . (Anna Miller) a son EDDIE, January
MILLER, Atlee Y. (Dorothy Graber) Orrville a daughter LAURA, January 6

Ashland County, Ohio

SCHROCK, Melvin (Anna Miller) Ashland R1 a son IDDO, January 8
YODER, Ervin (Sarah Miller) Ashland R1 a daughter MATTIE, January 6

Branch County, Michigan

GIROD, Samuel A. (Katie Schwartz) Reading R1 a son MENNO, January 18

Allen County, Indiana

GILLINGHAM, Kirby (Barbara Graber) Grabill a daughter CAROL ANN, January 13
GRABER, Joseph (Viola Miller) Hicksville R1, Ohio a son JONAS, January 11
GRABER, Robert (Verna Schwartz) Grabill a daughter MARY LOU, January 22
LENGACHER, Amos (Barbara Ann Schmucker) New Haven, a daughter BARBARA, December 23
SCHWARTZ, Dan G. (Leah Brandenberger) New Haven a daughter LEAH, January 29
WITTMER, Ben (Betty Schmucker) Woodburn a daughter IDA SUE, January 19

Adams County, Indiana

EICHER, Jake V. (Emma Gingerich) Geneva R2 a daughter SUSAN, January 10
GIROD, Emanuel (Leah Graber) Berne a daughter, January 25
SCHWARTZ, Christ E. (Bertha Schwartz) Geneva R2 a son AARON, January 11
SCHWARTZ, Ernest D. (Kathryn K. Hilty) Monroe R1 a son ALVIN, January 9
SCHWARTZ, Levi D. J. (Anna J. Schwartz) Berne R2 a daughter BERTHA, January 1

LaGrange County, Indiana

BEACHY, John W.. (Wilma Schrock) LaGrange R4 a son ELMER J., January 10
BONTRAGER, Joni (Freda Bontrager) Shipshewana R1 a son DEAN, January 1
EASH, Jacob J.. (Fannie Graber) Shipshewana R1 a daughter LOUELLA J., December 28
HERSCHBERGER, John B. (Mary Esther Yoder) Topeka R1, a son LLOYD J., December 29
HERSHBERGER, Mervin R.. (Sue Ellen Yoder) Topeka R1, a son LARRY M., January 14
HOCHSTEDLER, Walter J.. (Martha Smucker) Middlebury R2, a son KENNETH LEE, December 16
HOSTETLER, Edward J. (Anna Bontrager) LaGrange R4, a January 19
LEHMAN, Daniel D.. (Ada Bontrager) Shipshewana R1 a son MELVIN, January 12
LEHMAN, Ernest E. (Linda Jones) LaGrange R4 a son JONATHAN E., December 24
MILLER, Chris Jr. (Wilma Schrock) Shipshewana R1 a son NELSON C., December 16
MILLER, Freeman (Mary Miller) LaGrange R4 a son CHRISTY, December 17
MILLER, John E. (Viola Lambright) Topeka R2 a daughter VERA, January 18
MILLER, Jonas (Ida Fry) Topeka R1 a daughter SUE ANNA, January 11
MILLER, Levi E. (Mattie Petersheim) Topeka R2 a daughter SUE ANNA, January 5
MILLER, Vernon (Mary Edna Bender) LaGrange R1 a son MERVIN DEAN, January 20
SCHROCK, Ervin (Esther Fern Eash) LaGrange R4 a daughter IRENE, January 17
TROYER, Eli C. (Ruby Miller) Shipshewana a son VERNON E., January 16
TROYER, Howard (Barbara Ferne Lehman) Topeka R1 a son VERNON JAY, January 13
WINGARD, Raymond J. (Dora Miller) Middlebury R3 a daughter CATHERINE, January 21
YODER, Daniel J. (Susie Beachy) Topeka R1 a son MARLIN, December 30
YODER, Elmer D. (Irene Louise Miller) Middlebury R3 a son ERNEST LEE, December 30
YODER, Lavern E. (Mabel Mullet) Topeka R2 a daughter KATHRYN ANN, December 12
YODER, Wilbur J.. (Wilma Beechy) Shipshewana R1 a son DENNIS, January 19

Elkhart County, Indiana

CHUPP, Omer Eugene (Rosanna Yoder) Middlebury R3 a son WAYNE ELDON, December 30
YODER, William N. (Lizzie Miller) Middlebury R1 a daughter AMY SUE, January 24

Milroy, Indiana

WAGLER, Ernie A. (Lucy Schmidt) Milroy R1 a son TIMOTHY WAYNE, January 30

Kokomo, Indiana

GINGERICH, Ivan J. (Mary Herschberger) Kokomo R3 a son JONATHAN, January 31
HOCHSTEDLER, Albert Lee (Ruby Ellen Nissley) Kokomo R4, a daughter MARY JOSEPHINE, Jan. 14

Kosciusko County, Indiana
CHUPP, Mr. and Mrs. Eli, Nappanee R2
a stillborn daughter REBECCA, January 30
HOCHSTETLER, LaMar (Sara Miller) Milford R2
a daughter, January 28
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Mose M., Milford R1
a stillborn son ROMAN, January 30
MILLER, Wayne (Martha Kuhns) Nappanee R2
a daughter KRISTINE, in January
YODER, Laverne (Marla Slabaugh) Nappanee R2
a son BRIAN LEE, January 8

Arthur, Illinois
CHUPP, Lewis (Mary Bontrager)
a son, January 23
GINGERICH, Seranus (Caroline Miller)
a son MERVIN, January 23
MILLER, Gideon and wife
a daughter MARTHA ANN, in January
SCHROCK, Abraham (Frances Miller)
a son, January 29

Guthrie, Kentucky
COBLENTZ, Roman (Elsie Weaver) Guthrie R2
a daughter ESTHER, January 12
MILLER, Uriel (Viola Yoder) Guthrie R2
a son NEVIN DANIEL, January 2

Reno County, Kansas
PETERSHEIM, Ervin T. (Alma Bontrager) Haven
a daughter MIRIAM ELIZABETH, January 27

Garnett, Kansas
SCHROCK, Herman (Mary Troyer)
a son KEVIN LAVERNE, January 20

Anabel, Missouri
BORNTRAGER, Rudy D. (Sadie Hochstetler)
Macon, a daughter LIZZIE, January 24

Seymour, Missouri
SCHWARTZ, Dave H. and Lovina
a daughter MARY, January 6
SCHWARTZ, Joe P. (Margret Miller)
a son JOHNNY, January 18

Jamesport, Missouri
BEECHY, Levi Jr. (Edna Mae Kauffman)
a son LESTER, January 5
MAST, Freeman A. (Sarah Hostetler)
a daughter MARIE, January 24
MAST, Joe A. (Viola Ropp)
a son IVAN, January 15
YODER, Ivan H. (Fannie Troyer)
a son EDWIN, January 17

Audrain County, Missouri
GINGERICH, Eli (Ella Shrock) Clark
a daughter MARTHA, December 29
MILLER, Noah J. (Mary Stutzman) Clark
a daughter SOVILLA, January 4
PETERSHEIM, Benedict J.. (Laura Yoder) Clark
a son JONI, January 19
PETERSHEIM, Levi B.. (Ida Gingerich) Clark
a son EDWIN, January 16

Pike County, Missouri
EICHER, David W. (Salina Yoder) Bowling Green
an adopted daughter LOVINA, December 20
EICHER, Henry (Rosemary Kemp) Curryville
a son, January 26 , CHRISTIE

Bloomfield, Iowa
BEACHY, Jake and Abbie, Bloomfield
a son IRVIN, December
YUTZY, Mr. and Mrs. Norman, Bloomfield
a daughter LAURA MAE, January

Johnson County, Iowa
MILLER, Ephraim (Verba Gingeric)
a daughter MALINDA KAY, December 31
YODER, Simon (Mary Susan Yoder)
a daughter KAREN KAY, December 31

Buchanan County, Iowa
SCHWARZ, Andy (Ida Mullet) Fairbank
a daughter RHODA, January 2

Blair, Wisconsin
YODER, Melvin A. (Mary Mast)
a daughter MARTHA, January 3

Medford, Wisconsin
BEECHY, Melvin (Rosa Borntrager)
a daughter VERA, January 3
MILLER, Albert (Ella Borntrager)
a son ALVIN, January 6
MILLER, Clemens (Anna Borntrager)
a daughter MARY EDNA, January 13

Wadena, Minnesota
BORNTRAGER, Felty (Lizzie Mast)
a daughter MARY CATHERINE, January 27

Mt. Elgin, Ontario, Canada
STUTZMAN, David and Mary
a son EDDIE, January 28
STUTZMAN, Jacob G. and Barbara
a son FREMON, January 18

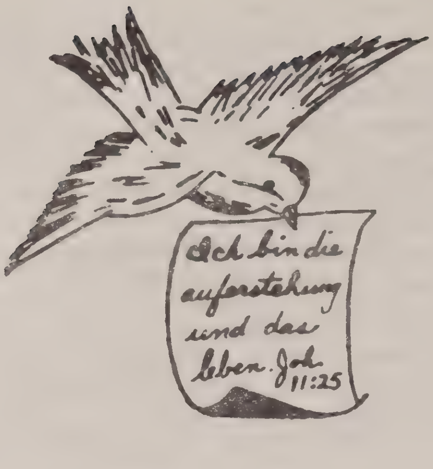
Aylmer, Ontario
KAUFFMAN, Cephas (Freda Bender)
a daughter EDNA, January 30

Norwich, Ontario
MILLER, Roman L. (Ella Miller) Norwich R1
a daughter EDNA, January 30

Milverton, Ontario
ALBRECHT, Chris (Ruth Jantzi)
a daughter ESTHER, January 9
ALBRECHT, Melvin (Catherine Wagler)
a daughter RACHEL, January 16
KUEPFER, Leroy (Verna Kuepfer)
a daughter ROSE, January 1
KUEPFER, Reuben S. (Maryanne Kuepfer)
a son EDWARD, January 20

HOLMES COUNTY MISHAPS

Different ones fell and broke either their legs or their arms, including Esther E. Miller, 22, of Millersburg R3, Levi V. Raber of Millersburg R4, and Clarie, 10, daughter of Dea. Eli D. Miller of Millersburg R3.



OBITUARIES

BONTRAGER, Abe D., 59, Middlebury R3, Ind.

died Friday evening, Jan. 17th, after suffering a heart attack at his home. He was born July 19, 1915 in LaGrange County, and was a lifelong resident of Middlebury. He was ordained deacon May 11, 1952. He was married Nov. 16, 1939, to Sarah Lehman, who survives. Also surviving are two sons, Ervin of Topeka, and Alton of LaGrange; four daughters, Mrs. Jonas (Wilma) Mast and Mrs. Abie (Mary) Hochstetler, both of Jamesport, Mo., and Mrs. Ira (Alma) Fry and Miss Barbara Bontrager, both of Middlebury R3; 17 grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Enos Miller of Hutchinson, Kansas; and two half-sisters, Mrs. Ezra Yoder and Mrs. Willis Miller, both of Shipshewana.

Funeral services were held at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, at the family home, by Bishop Ervin Bontrager. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery.

GINGERICH, Mrs. Mattie G., 22, Apple Creek R1, O.

died unexpectedly Wednesday morning, Jan. 1, at Doctor's Hospital in Massillon, due to a blood clot in the lung following child birth. She was the daughter of Christ E. and Lydia Ann (Yoder) of Apple Creek R2. She was born in Ethridge, Tenn. on Jan. 5, 1952 and lived in this area for the past 17 years. She is survived by her husband, Gideon M. Gingerich; three sisters, Mrs. Andy J. (Ceville) Swartzentruber of Dalton R1; Mrs. William H. (Anna) Hershberger of Apple Creek R2; Mrs. Noah D. (Sarah) Swartzentruber of Wilmot R1; seven brothers, Andy Hershberger of Navarre R3, Rudy Hershberger of Beach City, and Enos, Jacob, Sam, John, and William Hershberger of Apple Creek R2.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Jan. 4, at the home by Bishop Joe D. Troyer. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery in East Union Township.

HERSHBERGER, Joseph E., 74, Goshen R1, Indiana

died at 10:50 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at the Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, after suffering severe burns at his home the evening before (see front page). Born in Elkhart Co. Dec. 26, 1900, he was married March 16, 1926 to Bessie A. Christner, who died Oct. 1, 1966. He is survived by two sons, Lloyd and Ray J. of Goshen; two daughters, Ida and Alma, both of Goshen; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; four brothers, Menno of Middlebury, Levi of Fairbank, Ia.; Ezra of Goshen, and Amos of Burr Oak, Mich.; and three sisters, Mrs. Enos (Mary) Eash, Mrs. William (Polly) Yoder, both of Goshen, and Mrs. John B. (Susie) Miller of Middlebury.

Funeral services were held at the Ora Nisley home, by Bishop Jesse Schlabach and Pre. David Yoder. Pall bearers were David J. B. Miller, Crist J. Miller, Levi D. Bontrager, and Floyd L. Bontrager.

HERSCHBERGER, Paul E., 6 weeks, Arthur, Ill.

died Jan. 2nd in Jarman Hospital, Tuscola, Ill. He was born with a hernia and was operated on Jan. 2nd, but never came to from the operation. He was the first child of Ervin N. and Tillie (Plank) Herschberger. Grandparents are Min. Noah and Tillie (Mast) Herschberger, and John and Leah (Miller) Plank; great-grandmothers are Mrs. Joni (Mary) Plank and Mrs. Sam (Tillie) Miller.

Funeral services were held Jan. 5th.

KING, Moses S., 94, Honey Brook R2, Pa.

died Saturday morning, Jan. 25, of a heart attack. Born near Talmage, he was a son of the late Benjamin and Catherine (Stoltzfus) King. His wife, Ida (Beiler) King, died April 4, 1973. He is survived by three sons and three daughters, Ruth King, with whom he lived, Sylvanus, Abner, and Alvin King, all of Honey Brook R2; Mary, wife of Henry B. Fisher, Gordonville R1; and Miriam, wife of Dale Young, Virginia; 42 grandchildren and 51 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday, Jan. 27, by Levi King and Elam Stoltzfus. Burial was in Stoltzfus Cemetery, Honey Brook.

KURTZ, Mrs. Sarah, 79, Middlefield, Ohio

died Jan. 13th. Her husband, Dan J. Kurtz, died in December of 1971. She was the daughter of Albert D. and Katie Miller. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Andy J. (Katie) Byler, Middlefield, Mrs. William J. (Martha) Byler, Punxsutawney, Pa., Mrs. David (Sarah) Hershberger, Middlefield; six sons, John of Germany, Albert, Joel and Crist of Middlefield, Jake of Dover, Del., and Daniel of Punxsutawney, Pa.; a sister, Mary Ann Schlabach of Millersburg R4; four brothers, Crist Miller of British Honduras, Jake of Middlefield, Dan of Canton, and Eli of Michigan.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Enos E. Fisher of Punxsutawney, Pa., and at the neighbors' by Val N. Gingerich.

LENGACHER, Caroline, 77, New Haven R1, Ind.

died Jan. 1st at the home of her daughter Marian, Mrs. Jacob Zehr. She was a daughter of the late Eli and Amanda (Knepp) Miller. Surviving also are three other daughters, Mrs. Andy (Anna) Graber, Mrs. John (Sarah) Graber and Mrs. Bill (Amanda) Miller.

Funeral services were held Jan. 4th by Bishop Levi R. Graber of Camden, Mich. Burial was in the Amish Cemetery at Grabill, Indiana.

MILLER, Aden J., 48, Millersburg R5, Ohio
died Saturday, Jan. 18, in Tinken Mercy Hospital at Canton, from a broken neck (see front page). Born in Holmes County, he was a son of John A. (Pepper) and Fannie (Schlabach) Miller of Millersburg R5. Surviving in addition to his parents are eight sisters and six brothers, Mrs. Vernon (Elva) Miller of Sugarcreek; Mrs. Jerry (Esther) Mast, Mrs. Monroe E. (Mary) Miller, Andrew, Lester and Amos, all of Millersburg R5; Mrs. Mrs. Ervin (Clara) Schrock, Mrs. Jonas (Nettie) Miller, and Mrs. Alfred (Susie) Miller, all of Millersburg R4; Mrs. Myron (Sarah) Barnhart of Millersburg; Mrs. Charles (Fannie) Creager and Allen of Sarasota, Fla.; Junior of Rochester, N. Y.; and Jacob of the home.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 9 a.m. in the home by Bishop Lester Schlabach.

MILLER, Beulah M., 55, Topeka R2, Indiana
died Thursday, Jan. 23, in the LaGrange County Hospital. She was born in Eden Twp., LaGrange Co. Sept. 7, 1919, the daughter of Henry L. and Susie (Schrock) Miller. She was married to Urias Miller, who survives. Also surviving are seven sons, Ervin and Andrew of Topeka, Floyd of LaGrange, Terry of Middlebury, Elmer, Melvin and Urias Jr., all at home; five daughters, Mrs. Ernest (Wilma) Graber and Mrs. Amos (Elsie) Bontrager, both of Shipshewana, Mrs. Mervin (Susie) Lambright of LaGrange, Mrs. Ora (Mary) Mishler of Wolcottville and Esther Miller at home; 20 grandchildren; two brothers, Ammon Miller of Topeka and Verlo Miller of Howe; two sisters, Anna Miller of Topeka and Mrs. Amos (Wilma) Bontrager of Wolcottville and her mother, Mrs. Henry L. (Susie) Miller of Topeka.

Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 27, at 9:30 a.m. in the Miller home by Bishop Joni B. Miller, Bishop Perry Hochstetler and Bishop Levi N. Mast. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

MILLER, Miss Emma J., 54, Middlefield, Ohio
died Jan. 31 at the age of 54 yr., 8 mo., 4 days. She was born May 27, 1920 a daughter of Jerry E. and Amanda C. (Byler) Miller. She leaves one brother, William Miller of Punxsutawney, Pa.; two sisters, Mrs. Mattie Byler, and Mrs. John M. (Lizzie) Miller, and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 3, at the home of her sister, the John M. Millers, by Bishop Jake J. Miller of Bowling Green, Mo., Bishop Jake E. Byler and Pre. Eli E. Byler of New Wilmington, Pa., all three cousins of Emma, and Bishop John E. Slaubach of Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.

MILLER, Lydia, 80, Fredericksburg R1, Ohio
died Jan. 20 after being blind for over eight years and having strokes the last year. On the 18th her one leg died and turned blue and the 19th the other leg and up to the waist died and the rest not until the evening of the 20th. The doctor said her heart was so strong that's why she couldn't die sooner. She was born Aug. 20, 1895 the daughter of Jacob Coblentz. She married Joe S. Miller Dec. 5, 1918, lived as a widow 14 years. Surviving are four sons and two daughters, Mrs. Dan D. (Erma) Hostetler of Shreve R1, Mrs. John J. (Lydia Ann) Hostetler and Perry and Albert of Fredericksburg R1, Sam of Millersburg, and Roy of the home; 34 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; a step mother, Mrs. John E. (Lovina) Miller of Holmesville; four sisters, Mrs. Andy S. (Anna) Miller, Mrs. Noah L. (Lovina) Shetler of New York, Mrs. Elmer D. (Sarah) Byler of Burton, and Mrs. Monroe Y. (Barbara) Miller of Sugarcreek, and one brother, Bishop Noah Coblentz.

Funeral services were held Jan. 23rd at the home by Pre. Jake J. Miller and Bishop Andy M. Miller, and at the Abe D. Miller home by Pre. Leroy Hostetler and Pre. Perry Stutzman.

SCHWARTZ, Dan J., 85, Geneva R2, Indiana
died Jan. 21st at the home of a son, John E. Schwartz, with whom he resided. He had been in ill health about a week. He was a retired farmer. Born Jan. 22, 1899 in Allen County, he was a son of Jacob and Fannie (Graber) Schwartz, and was married to the former Esther Ebersole, who is deceased. Surviving are seven daughters, Mrs. Andy (Anna) Mast of Fredericksburg, Ohio, Mrs. Ernest (Veronica) Girod of LeRaysville, Pa., Mrs. Amos N. (Sarah) Eicher, Mrs. Eli (Mattie) Coblentz, Mrs. Christ (Elizabeth) A. Graber, and Mrs. Dan S. (Barbara) Hilty, all of Geneva, R2, Ind. and Mrs. Peter G. (Leah) Schwartz of Seymour, Mo.; and nine sons, Menno D. of Seymour, Mo., Jake D. of Sugarcreek, Ohio, Daniel D. Jr., John E., Christ E., Joe E., Aaron E., and Jonas E., all of Geneva, and David E. of Shipshewana, Ind. Two children are deceased.

Funeral services were held Jan. 24th. Burial was in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

SMOKER, Mrs. Barbara, 96, Ronks R1, Pa.
died at the home of her daughters Friday, Jan. 17, at 3 a.m. Born in Somerset County, she was a daughter of the late Elias and Mary (Stevanus) Hostetler. She was the wife of Daniel K. Smoker; her first husband, Henry L. King, died in 1931. Besides her husband, she is survived by these sons and daughters, Christian King, Gordonville R1; Annie, wife of Henry D. Beiler, Lancaster R4; Mary, Barbara and Lydia King, with whom she resided during her illness of two years; Lena, wife of Christian Swarey, Mill Creek; Solomon King, Gordonville R1; and Lizzie, wife of Daniel Lapp, Ronks R1; three step children, Barbara K. and Michael K. Smoker, Ronks R1; and Levi K. Smoker, Christiana R1; 10 grandchildren; 10 step grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home of Michael Smoker, Ronks R1, Monday, Jan. 20, at 11:00 a.m., by Bishop Joshua Renno, Belleville, and Pre. Levi S. Fisher; hymn read by Dea. Jacob Lapp; hymn at graveyard read by Pre. Amos Smucker; abschied by Aaron Y. Beiler. Burial was at Millwood Cemetery, beside her first husband. Pall bearers were Jacob Beiler, David Stoltzfus, Benuel Smoker, and Reuben Smoker.

OBITUARIES, Continued

STOLTZFUS, Arianna K., 90, Kirkwood R1, Pa.

died Friday morning, Jan. 24, at the home of her son, Benjamin K. Stoltzfus, after a long illness. She was the widow of Benjamin E. Stoltzfus. Born in Leacock Twp., she was a daughter of the late Elias and Malinda (King) Fisher. She resided for 19 years at Kirkwood R1, earlier she lived at Elverson R2. Survivors include the following children: Elias F., Ronks R1; Samuel K., Bird-in-Hand R1; Benjamin K., with whom she resided; Malinda K. Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1; and Stephen, Loganton R2, Pa.; 44 grandchildren and 70 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Stephen K. Fisher, Honey Brook R1.

Funeral services were held at the Benjamin K. Stoltzfus home, Jan. 27, by Bishop John F. Glick and Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus; hymn read by Pre. Jonas L. Beiler; hymn at graveyard read by Samuel S. Stoltzfus; abschied by David Riehl. Burial was in Mast Cemetery at Morgantown. Her age was 90 yr., 6 mo., and 10 days.

SWARTZENTRUBER, Freida (Yoder) Oakland, Md.

died Jan. 9th. She had heart trouble and was not able to go away much the last year, but died in her sleep during the night. She had had a sick spell a few evenings before she died but had seemed better again. She was the second wife of Simon Swartzentruber, and leaves five step sons and one step daughter. She was buried in the Schlabach Cemetery at Oakland, Maryland.

TROYER, Mrs. Mattie, 78, Sugarcreek R1, Ohio

died Monday night, Jan. 20, in her home following an apparent heart attack. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Jonas P. and Mattie (Hostetler) Beachy. Her husband, Roman A. Troyer, died in 1967. Surviving are one daughter and three sons, Mrs. Atlee C. (Edna) Miller of the home, and Alvin E., Delbert R. and Junior R., all of Sugarcreek R1; two sisters and one brother, Mrs. Albert (Lovina) Keim of Charm, and Mrs. Dan (Katie Ann) Hershberger and Simon J. Beachy, both of Sugarcreek R1; 30 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by three daughters, three sons, two sisters and three brothers.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Jan. 23, in the home by Bishop Melvin J. Miller. Burial was in Troyer Cemetery, Clark Township.

WENGERD, Mrs. Mattie B., 66, Juniata Co., Pa.

died at her home at Mifflintown, Jan. 12, of Pneumonia following a paralytic Stroke, aged 66 yr., 4 mo., and 27 days. She was born at Berlin, Holmes Co., Ohio on Aug. 16, 1908, a twin daughter of Ben E. and Elizabeth (Yoder) Weaver. She was baptized in 1927 in the Dan Wengerd church district, formerly the Bishop Sam Yoder church, by Bishop Emanuel Schrock and Deacon John Harshberger. She was married to Menno D. Wengerd on Jan. 18, 1934 by Bishop Sam L. Mast in Holmes Co., Ohio. Her husband died in March of 1974. They moved to Juniata Co., Pa. in 1952. She is survived by five sons and four daughters, Eli and Daniel of Belleville, Aden, Andy, John, Mrs. Sam R. (Ada) Kanagy, Mrs. Levi R. (Elizabeth) Kanagy, Mrs. Moses A. (Emma) Kanagy, and Fannie, all of Juniata Co., Pa.; also a brother, Eli Weaver and a sister, Mrs. Savilla Harshberger of Holmes County, Ohio.

Funeral services were held at the home of her son John's, by Bishop Tobe Petersheim and Christ Z. Hostetler; burial in Amish Van Wert Cemetery.

ZOOK, Betty Ann, age 4, Gordonville R1, Pa.

died at 7:45 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 12, at Lancaster General Hospital. She was a Mongoloid and had been under the care of a physian. She was the daughter of Emanuel B. and Verna (Stoltzfus) Zook. Surviving in addition to her parents are three brothers, John, Melvin and Samuel, all at home; paternal grandparents, Moses B. and Sarah (Blank) Zook, Gordonville R1; and maternal grandparents, Aaron J. and Rebecca (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Gap R1. Her age was 4 yr., 4 mo., and 28 days.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 11:30 a.m. by Bishop Jonathan F. King and Pre. Aaron E. Fisher; hymn read by Pre. John B. Stoltzfus of Union district; hymn at graveyard read by Pre. Moses K. Blank; abschied by Pre. Joseph F. Beiler; burial in Millwood Cemetery.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Ashley, Indiana

Noah N. Eicher had the misfortune of getting his glove caught in the buzz saw blade, Dec. 26th, mangling the tip of his second finger on the right hand. The doctor grafted skin from his arm to his finger. It still isn't healing right.

Mrs. Noah N. Eicher spent from Jan. 15th to the 20th in Lansdale, Pa. Hospital where she underwent her second hernia operation Jan. 16th. After she was released from the hospital she spent two weeks recuperating at her nephew's, the Emanuel J. Flaud family of Bird-in-Hand, Pa. She had her first hernia operation in April of 1974.

COMMUNITY NOTES–Bronson, Mich., by O. A. Graber

Mrs. Joe (Esther) Bontrager of Bronson R1 was re-admitted to Coldwater Health Center (hospital) for a ruptured colon operation. She was in the hospital about thirty days previously, also for an operation. They have hopes for recovery soon. She's been laid up off and on for about a year, but has been in church a few times and was bedfast only at intervals.

Mrs. Levi (Esther) Stutzman is laid up with second degree burns and infection on her leg for a few weeks now. The burn seems to be healing but she has a badly swollen foot. She is on a diet for Diabetes.

I'm mostly bedfast since July 1974. Neuritis has set in, and other complications like weak organs, after my Tetanus recovery. I've had severe pains the last month that only those who had it will know. Since going to a prominent chiropractor I've found some relief. This is one disease which drugs will not relieve, but rather the drugs I got from Tetanus have brought it about.

Freuet euch des Herrn.. Ps. 33:1

MARRIAGES

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Petersheim, Beiler – Samuel, son of Christ and Miriam (Lapp) Petersheim, Gap R1, to Sallie, daughter of Jonas and Katie (Lapp) Beiler, Ronks R1, Jan. 16.

Centre County, Pennsylvania

Zook, Swarey – Joseph, son of Jonathan Zooks, Belleville, Pa., to Lena, daughter of Sam and Sally Swarey, Rebersburg, Nov. 5, by Bishop Jacob Byler.

Peachey, Swarey – Josiah, son of Jess Peacheys, Allensville, Pa., to Leah, daughter of Sam and Sally Swarey, Rebersburg, Nov. 5, by Bishop Jacob Byler.

Dover, Delaware

Byler, Miller – Andy, son of Reuben A. and Emma Byler, to Lena, daughter of Wm. E. and Laura Mae Miller, by Bishop Noah S. Byler of Canada.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Peight, Peachey – Jesse, son of Samuel and Sarah (Swarey) Peight, to Malinda, daughter of Crist B. and the late Nannie (Swarey) Peachey, Jan. 2, by Bishop Crist B. Peachey.

Kanagy, Peachey – Noah, son of Noah and Leah (Yoder) Kanagy, to Barbara, daughter of Benjamin S. and Gertrude (Kanagy) Peachey, Jan. 23, by Bishop Emanuel K. Peachey.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Troyer, Byler – Melvin, son of Melvin Troyers, Smicksburg, Pa., to Barbara, daughter of Mrs. Andy E. Byler, Stoneboro, Pa., Jan. 28, by Bishop Jacob E. Slabach, Smicksburg, Pa.

Holmes County, Ohio

Swartzentruber, Troyer – Alvin, son of Gideon G. and Fannie (Yoder) Swartzentruber, to Lucy, daughter of William G. and Esther (Mast) Troyer, Jan. 9.

Troyer, Hershberger – Robert, son of Milton R. and Sarah (Miller) Troyer, to Martha, daughter of Emanuel J. and Katie (Weaver) Hershberger, Nov. 7, by Bishop Amos S. Miller.

Nisley, Miller – Junior, son of Mose J. and Lydia Ann (Stutzman) Nisley, to Mary, daughter of Raymond J. and Verna (Byler) Miller, Nov. 9, by Bishop Dan G. Yoder.

Wayne County, Ohio

Weaver, Troyer – Ervin, son of John E. and Anna (Miller) Weaver, to Fannie Mae, daughter of Pre. Atlee and Katie (Burkholder) Troyer, Jan. 20, by Bishop Jacob Troyer.

Miller, Beachy – Robert, son of Raymond and Verna (Byler) Miller, to Mary, daughter of Emanuel H. and Edna (Yoder) Beachy, Feb. 4.

Allen County, Indiana

Schmucker, Zehr – Amos, son of John and Elizabeth (Miller) Schmucker, to Viola, daughter of Menno and Leah (Graber) Zehr, Jan. 23, by Bishop John Graber.

Adams County, Indiana

Graber, Eicher – Amos R., son of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Graber, Genava R2, to Leah L., daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. Ernest V. Eicher, Geneva R2, Jan. 30th.

Girod, Schwartz – Reuben J., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Girod, Berne R2, to Emma U., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan M. J. Schwartz, Berne R2, Jan. 30th.

Nappanee, Indiana

Yoder, Schmucker – Merle, son of Andy Yoders of Middlebury, to Clara, daughter of Earl and Mary (Miller) Schmucker of Nappanee on Jan. 30th.

Arthur, Illinois

Schrock, Diener – Owen, son of Harvey and Lucy (Yoder) Schrock, to Katie Fern, daughter of Enos and Martha (Schrock) Diener, Jan. 9th.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Haven (Reno Co.) Kansas

Mary Alice Bontrager, 49, (dwarf) daughter of Pre. David K. and Mary Bontrager, was seriously ill with Spinal Meningitis and taken to Halstead Hospital, Halstead, Kansas, Jan. 8th. She was in a coma four or five days but is gaining nicely and came home from the hospital Jan. 30th. She enjoys mail. She is having a birthday May 17th, then she will be 50 years old.

WAYNE CO., OHIO ACCIDENT

Dan B. Yoder, 39, had a mishap Dec. 31st. When he wanted to put the bridle on a work horse the horse became unruly and hit Dan's right hand against a cement wall. It badly broke his one finger close to his hand and also bruised his hand. He has to have his hand in cast for eleven weeks.

PA. BOY LOSES HEARING

Levi Byler, 15, son of Pre. Adam J. Byler of Mifflintown, Pa., had a severe case of Mumps with high fever which left him completely deaf in both ears. They have had him to several specialists which say a hearing aid would not help him any, but there is a slight chance that surgery later on may help him.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Mifflin County, Pa.

Katie, age 13, daughter of Kore E. and Sarah (Swarey) Kanagy, Belleville R2, fractured her left ankle, a bad break, in a sledding accident at school. She gets around with crutches.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Norwich, Ontario

Dan J. Shetler, who was in a wreck on Christmas Eve. (see page 272, Dec. issue), was rushed to the hospital again on New Year's Eve. and had his spleen removed. He had been bleeding internally and the doctor said a few more hours of bleeding would have been fatal. He's coming along fine now.

NOTICE – The February issue of THE DIARY will include a list of telephone numbers from Amish communities to use for conveying messages in times of emergency. Reporters who did not send a number last year, or have corrections to make from last year, shall please send them in with their February report.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

The January weather was changeable and wet, chilly but not cold. Total rainfall for the month was 6.2 in., with a light snow, our first for the winter, on January 20, around 2 to 3 inches. We had several cold spells and several warm spells, High for the month was 68 on the 29th; low was 15 on the 21st. Work among farmers is finishing corn shredding, hauling manure, and cutting wood; attending farm and horse sales. The close-out sale of Andy A. Miller was largely attended, with high prices, except cattle are off. Hog market is holding up well at the 42¢ mark, calves and cows way off. Eggs around 90¢. Grain was up again over New Year's, but on the down turn again lately. Coal is up to over $70 a ton.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

January 21 was our coldest, around 12; high was in the 70's Jan. 20. We had several light snows and quite a few rainy days. Several times it was fit to haul manure and plow. Feed prices are finally on the decline again.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Bareville area: January was springlike with just a few cold days. We had about 5 inches snow and 3½ inches of rain.

Market report: Fat cattle, high choice $37 to $42.75 cwt.; feeder cattle $19 to $33 cwt.; veal $15 to $64 cwt.; bulls $20 to $31 cwt.; fat hogs $38 to $43 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs 55¢ to 60¢ per lb.; dairy cows at New Holland $510 to $800; heavy fowl 12¢ per lb.; capons 40¢ lb.; large eggs 65¢ doz.; potatoes $4 cwt.; ear corn $65 ton, $3.25 bu.; wheat $3.65 bu.; barley $2.40 bu.; oats $1.90 bu.; hay $40 to $79 ton; straw $35 to $41 ton; milk $8.75 cwt.

by Ammon F. Fisher

January 1 started in with fog and rain, very windy in evening. Jan. 11 and 12 we had nice and warm with 68 degrees. Jan. 13 we had a few inches snow. Jan. 21 it was 2 above zero. We had severzl days sledding and ice skating, turning warmer again the 23rd. The ground at most times was not frozen. Farmers are hauling manure, attending farm sales; some were plowing the last week in January. Some people are battling the flu bug, as there is lots of sore throat going around, also pneumonia. Ground isn't frozen enough to get rid of the germs. Some are trying to finish tobacco, which sold for 55 to 63 cents per lb.

Bradford County, Pennsylvania, by Clemens Nissley

The weather in January in general wzs mild. It snowed on the first, and we had snow most of the month. We had snow on the 6th, 12th and 13th, 8 in. The 15th was the coldest, with 8 below. We had showers on the 29th. The last week makes one think of tapping maples. Farmers are cutting wood, hauling manure, and choring.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

January was more or less on the mild side, with 2.5 inches of rain and 11 inches snow. The ground was not frozen deep yet, although the temperature was down to zero one morning. We had mostly sunny days, which melted the snow that we got. Quite a few people had flu or grippe the latter part of month.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

The month of January was warm and wet with some foggy mornings. Measureable rain and snow fell on 11 days. We had a total of 12.5 inches of snow. One inch of rain fell on Jan. 11 in the forenoon, and in the afternoon the temperature went up to 69. The coldest was 2 below zero Jan. 21. Temperatures averaged 33 degrees in January.

Franklin County, Pennsylvania, by Jacob E. Flaud

During January we had quite a lot of rain, also snow on several occasions. We had no bad blizzards or storms, although we had some high winds toward the end of the month. It was down to zero on the morning of Jan. 21. There is not much frost in the ground, causing a little problem to haul manure over the soft ground. Some plowing was done during the month.

Path Valley, Pennsylvania, by Daniel Z. Beiler

We have had a mild winter so far. The ground was covered with snow and ice for about three weeks after 4 inches snow fell on Jan. 6. Weather was changeable, The high was 70 on Jan. 11; low was 2 below on Jan. 21. We had about 4 in. snow Jan. 31. Some plowing was done this month; only a few inches of frost at the most.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y. Renno

The weather during January was mostly fair, and has been a rather mild winter so far. We had about 6½ in. rainfall, and very little snow, only enough to cover the ground a few times. We had one cold spell that it was zero or below. We have had very many colorful sunrises and sunsets, very few windy days.

Centre County, Pennsylvania, by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

We had some nice winter weather in January in our county; also had some very cold weather with temperature dropping to 21 below on the 21st; quite a few snow flurries and several times 2 or 3 inches on the ground, but have had no real snowstorms yet this winter. There is a flu going around that really hits hard and has had quite a few people in bed for a day or two. Farm prices of things we buy seem to go up and on up. Beef and milk prices are too low for the farmer compared to his expenses.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Beiler

We had about a foot of snow in January. Jan. 12 we had 8 inches. Jan. 18 it looked as if we might get a blizzard, then it warmed up and a lot melted that night. Jan. 21 we had 10 below zero; by the end of that week the temperature went up to 57, The last of the month the ground was covered by fresh snow in the morning, but it melted during the day that there were only patches left. Some butchering was done this month.

Snyder County, (McClure), Pa., by Katie A. Speicher

The weather for January was changeable. We had rain, then snow on New Year's. Ground was covered with snow from Jan. 6 to the 27th. It rained most of the day on Jan. 26. Coldest for January was 20 below on Jan. 15.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

January came in white, but it soon all melted, as the first week it was in the thirties. Jan. 6 it snowed 3 to 4 inches. Jan. 8 it was very frosty; every twig, bush, tree, or fence was covered with frost. Jan. 8 and 10 it rained both nights. Jan. 11 seemed like spring with temperature up to 60 at noon. After Jan. 13 it turned colder and more snow, temperature near zero several mornings. Jan. 25-26 it was in the thirties, but a cold, sharp wind. Jan. 29 it rained about 1½ in. Jan. 31 snow again, but most of it melted. Market prices: Dairy cows $245 to $600; shoats $8.50 to $33.50; beef cows $16 to $26.50; steers $19.50 to $27 cwt.; lambs $20.50 to $42 cwt.; hogs $36 to $41; calves $17.50 to $59 cwt.; feeder cattle $12; corn $2.70; wheat $3.20; oats $1.50; sugar has made a slight drop, $14.96 for 25 lb.

Oakland, Maryland, by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

Weather temperatures have varied during January. The snow that fell seemed to stick to trees, bushes, and wires more than usual. Lots of snow melted before another snow came.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Mary A. Kinsinger

The weather for January has been average. We had occasional snows, but not much rain. It thundered and rained Jan. 29, then turned colder. We had sleet Feb. 1. Lots of flu seems to be scattered among the people as this changeable weather is good for it.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania, by Dan J.. Troyer

January was somewhat mild, with an average morning temperature of 29 degrees. We had 4 clear days, 9 all cloudy, 13 mostly cloudy, and 5 partly cloudy. Jan. 20 it was zero in the evening, 15 the next morning. We had a little snow now and then. A heavy rain with some lightning the night of Jan. 28.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Fisher

We had a variety of weather in January. It snowed on about half the days, but never much at a time; some rainy spells. We had below zero several mornings; weather was mild the rest of the month. The ground was open to plow at times. Food prices are still going up in stores, especially sugar. Feed prices for cattle have come down a little.

Hartville, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

January was a very moderate month. We did not have any zero weather yet, and also not very much snow, which makes it nice to get around. On the ninth we had a few inches of rain, causing a lot of ponds, Then we had cloudy weather with some snow. On Jan. 11 we had 10, the coldest this month. The next two weeks were very nice winter weather. On Jan. 28 we had another big rain. Wheat and corn have both come down. Those holding wheat can not get what they could have had at harvest time. There is still a good bit of corn out. Livestock prices: Prime steers $38.75; cows $19.85; heifers $35.50; calves $69; hogs $40.40; lambs $37.

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

The weather for January has been more mild than usual, with an average morning temperature of 25. Our low was 4, and the high was 45. Snowfall was much less than average, although we had several days of high winds which did minor damage to roofs, etc. We also had more sunshine than usual.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

The weather for January has been very changeable We had a lot of snowy days, but not a deep snow; and a lot of rainy days. The temperature ranged from zero to 62. The last of the month the temperature dropped from 62 to 34, with quite a bit of thunder and lightning.

Southeastern Holmes County, by John L. Yoder

The weather pattern for January was a variety of rainy days, some snow, also some foggy weather, not too much sunshine. We had very little zero weather. We had plenty of moisture, and springs are running at full flow. Hauling manure, making firewood, and attending sales is on the list for men folks. There is still some corn to husk.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

We had a variety of weather in January; very nice winter weather. It was down almost to zero several times, but always warmed up through the day. We also had some very muddy weather, snow, and rain. This last week the creeks were out over the banks. The hog market is just below 40¢. The beef market is working lower. Milk cows are up a bit. Taxes are getting to be quite an item.

Western Holmes County, by Monroe A. Weaver

We had a mild January. Average morning temperature was about 28; low of 6, and a high of 55. We had several snows, but only 1 to 3 inches. at a time. We had some high winds, not much snow at the time. There is still a little corn to husk and pick. Wheat and grass fields look good. Cattle prices are as low as any time. Dairy cows are some lower, good grade cows and heifers from $400 to $600, some as high as $700, common down to $250. Hogs $40 cwt.; 50-lb. pigs $25 to $30.

Utica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin E. Hershberger

January had all kinds of weather. We had about 5.6 inches of rain. On Jan. 20 we had 3½ inches of snow. The coldest for the month was 5 below, the high was 68. Beef prices are still very low, calves are cheap; eggs 65¢ a dozen.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

The New Year came in warm and cloudy but later changing to colder with snow. We had warm and mild weather throughout most of the month, the warmest being about 60 degrees and the coldest, 6 degrees. Quite a bit of plowing has been done lately. Work among women has been butchering and quilting.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

January was mostly mild, with light snow. The lowest temperature was 2 below, the highest around 60. All grain prices are coming down, which makes farmers who are cash croppers a little weary in how deep they want to get into it this year. The seed and fertilizers are the highest in American history.

Montgomery, Michigan, by Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

Weatherwise we had a nice January; not much snow, plenty of rain, and only one day below zero. Most days the temperature ranged from 10 to 40. On the eve of Jan. 10, it went up to 51 and was very windy. During the night we had a wind storm with hail, thunder, and lightning. Tornadoes were spotted in the air. We had 17 cloudy days, 4 sunny, 7 partly sunny, and the rest partly cloudy.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

January was a mild, windy month. We had high winds of 63 to 69 m. p. h. on Jan. 10 and 11. Coldest was 6 on the 20th and a high of 60 on the 10th. We had a thunderstorm the last part of the month.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

There were two warm spells and two thunderstorms in the month of January, which is very unusual in this area. Normally the months of December, January, and February will go by without any thunderstorms, but the two unusually warm spells made the freakish weather possible. Rain and snow were normal. Statistics for the month are: High, 61 degrees on the 29th, low, 4 on the 20th; rain, 2.91 inches; snow, 5.6 inches. There were 5 clear days, 14 partly cloudy, 12 cloudy days and 7 rainy days; 2 thunderstorms occurred.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

January 1st, cold, windy and snow flurries; 2nd, sunny skies; 7th, springlike; 8th, rain; evening of the 10th, very windy, rain and sleet; 11th, very windy and 15 degrees; 20th, zero with clear skies; 21st, 20 degrees and windy; the rest of the week was fair; 27th and 28th, damp and chilly; 29th, springlike in the morning, very windy by evening; 30th, cold enough to bring us a blanket of snow. Lots of butchering is being done. Seems the flu, chickenpox and whooping cough are making their rounds.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

Weather in January was changeable. It started in with snow flurries and cold wind the first day, moderating somewhat the next few days. Jan. 8 we had all day rain, and showers the next few days. We had a hard wind with some damage on Jan. 10-11. On the 20th it was near zero; warmer with occasional showers the week of the 26th. Light snow covered the ground the 30th, but the bright sun soon melted it. We have had pleasant winter weather so far, with more rain than usual.

Kosciusko County, Indiana, by Joni D. Gingerich

January was mild; the coldest was 3 on the 14th, the high 58 on the 29th. We had 4.1 inches of snow and 1¼ inches rain. We had 13 cloudy days, 12 partly cloudy, and 6 sunny days. The ground is frozen 8½ inches deep in the sod fields. The Goshen weather station reports the last year as follows: Low 5 above on Jan. 12, 1974; high 101 on July 14. The most snow accumulation in one day was 5.7 in. on Jan. 9 The total snowfall for 1974 was 41.5 inches; the total precipitation was 26.8 inches, 8 inches below the normal average of about 35 inches. Grain prices have come down. The local elevator has soybeans listed at $5.82 per bu.; wheat $3.47; ear corn $2.70; shelled corn $2.80; choice hogs are $40.25; and a good veal calf is worth about $10.

Nappanee, by Mrs. Alvin Burkholder

The month of January rather surprised the people of our community, as it was milder than usual. On Jan. 10 we had a quite severe thunderstorm, accompanied by high winds which did some damage around the Nappanee area. This was followed by a real cold snap and snow. The last two weeks were quite moderate with a good bit of rain. However, the month is leaving us with another blanket of fresh snow. Butchering is about over. Surprisingly, the farmers were able to do some spring plowing in January! The women folks are eyeing the new seed catalogues, plus quilting and putting miles on the sewing machines.

Milroy, Indiana, by John R. Yutzy

It was a mild January. We had 8 days with showers, giving a total of 3.4 in. We had six nice days, and the rest were cloudy or rainy. We had a low of 10 the 13th, and a high of 64 the 29th. Tornado-like winds the night of the 10th. A bare 40 acres, all tillable, brought $1350 an acre recently. Sales of good machinery are selling real good. Cattle are cheap. Hogs are $39 to $40 cwt. Ground is not frozen, is soft.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

January has been mostly mild for this area, with 5 above the coldest. It stayed cold for a week, then the next week was unusually warm with temperature in the high forties and quite a bit of rain. The last week the ground was frozen hard when we got a heavy thunder shower during the night. The temp. the next morning was a high of 67, but by evening the wind turned to north, bringing freezing weather again. We had a few nice blankets of snow.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

The first week of January was rather mild with nice sunshine. Jan. 6 we had a light snow, but it was soon all gone. The night of the ninth we had heavy rains so that there was much water in the fields. Jan. 12 temperature was 10, causing lots of ice. On Jan. 20, we had 8 degrees, since that it has been milder and damp. Jan. 31 the trees had a light coat of snow. Still some corn out in the fields.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather continues mild. Ground was frozen very little so far this winter. We had several inches of snow on Jan. 12 and 19. Some farmers were plowing the last week. Rain again on Jan. 31. Beans are $5.95; corn $2.99.

Reno County (Partridge), Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

We are having real mild winter weather with January bringing us only one snow storm around the tenth, several inches of snow and temperatures going down to zero for a day or two. We had several rains, bringing the moisture to average. Most farm prices are dropping except hogs. Winter wheat grazing was possible only about half of the month, due to mud or snow.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by E. E. Schrock

We had an exceptionally nice January. We had nice snows on Jan. 2, and again Jan. 10, amounting to 8 to 9 inches, which was soon gone again. The coldest we had was 7 on Jan. 12. We had a good rain Jan. 30. We have many cases of flu, due to the changeable weather. We need some zero weather to freeze the flu bug.

Garnett, Kansas, by Edward H. Yoder

January as a whole was mild. The weekend of the 5th we had reports of from 6 to 8 above zero. We have had a lot of damp weather, however, the latter part we had good drying weather, causing some folks to do some field work. There were some fresh dandelion flowers seen in the area. People are busy with their butchering.

Anabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

The weather thru January was mostly cloudy and mild. The sun shone very little. We had a few light snows, and rain different times. Our coldest was 10 below zero on January 10th.

Seymour, Missouri, by Menno D. Schwartz

The weather has been unusually warm so far this winter, only one week of ice on ponds, and that not enough for any worthwhile skating, or putting up ice. No wonder the natives didn't know much about skating, and have no skating equipment. It was so warm some folks saw the bees flying around. One family lost some meat by spoiling over the butchering. But it's good for the livestock, with little calves and piggies being born.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

Weather for January was milder than usual. We had several snows, but none stayed very long. Coldest was 10 below zero on the 20th (the only below zero we had). It was 50 degrees on the 18th. Some days the ground was soft. We had an all day rain on the 24th. The last few days of the month were very damp and below freezing, causing the trees and everything outside to be very icy.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

We had a very mild winter so far, with some snow, but hardly any drifts. We had only one morning that temperature was below zero.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

January 1 was an unusually nice day, then colder. Most of January was mild. Those that put up ice for the summer, put it up in January, but this year it was only 4 to 5 inches thick, instead of the usual 8 to 10 inches. No ice on ponds at present. We had zero once, and only a light snow.

Bloomfield, Iowa, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

Weather has been very changeable since we moved here from Kokomo, Indiana, on January 14. We've experienced some sticky mud, plus rain, snow, sunshine, and temperature at 16 below on the 20th. However, by the next morning it was 35. There are 15 families living here now. Lots of rabbits and some deer have been seen. Many ponds around to make good ice skating. Land is mostly rolling, with some being level. Good beef country once the price gets better.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

It has been a vey mild winter so far, zero several mornings with a low of ten below, but mostly from 18 to 30 above. We had a few light snows, the heaviest around Thanksgiving. Hay is plenty high now, and cattle extremely low.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

We had a pleasant winter so far; a few stormy days, and three mornings of zero or below. Snow is about all gone, except in the side ditches. Some flu is making the rounds.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Moses S. Miller

January was another mild winter month. Some days it thawed. We had a good bit of snow, also had rain which left icy roads. The coldest we had was 16 below zero, which is not cold for this region.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

January was mild, compared to other years. The coldest we had was 13 below on Jan. 13. We had zero or below on seven days. The high was 45 on Jan. 10. In 24 hours it was 4 below with a strong wind. Work is cutting wood and butchering. There were quite a few laid up with flu, three cases that required hospitalization. Cattle are still cheap; calves have gone up a little, veals 38¢ to 45¢; small calves in the $10 to $20 range. No farm sales for a month or so.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

January started in mild, much like our December was. On the 10th it rained most of the day. On the 11th we had strong winds all day (no damage though). Temperatures in the morning were 20 above, till evening it dropped to 4 below, a sudden change, it being our first sub-zero weather for the winter. We had some more zero weather, but most temperature range from zero to 20 above. On the 29th we had a nice new snow again, 5 to 6 inches. We had some nice sunny days, and often thawing. Beef prices are down, milk prices are gradually going down. Hog prices are rising; hay is also very expensive, 85¢ to $1.25 a bale. Sugar is going down slowly, $4.99 for ten pounds.

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker Jr.

January was a real nice month for this part of the country. On the 11th we had a snow blizzard, it was 18 degrees in the morning, started snowing and blowing, and the temperature dropped to five below till evening. The temperature stayed around zero for about two days, then warmed up. The 22nd it took another dip to 25 below but warmed up again and was nice for the remainder of the month. We have a nice cover of snow.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William M. Schrock, Sr.

We had a lot of nice, sunny days in January, but towards evening on the tenth it started to snow and kept on till the morning of the 12th. We didn't have school here on the 13th. Coldest for the month here was 20 below. Cattle prices are quite low, feed costs high, making it hard for some of our young farmers.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

January started in with some cold weather and snow but it didn't amount to much. The weather was very changeable all through the month, and unusually mild. At present there isn't much snow on the ground.

Mt. Elgin, Ontario, by Mrs. Wm. D. Kramer

January was mostly mild with some snow, but not much at a time. Temperature was mostly from 20 to 30. We had a few mornings in the teens; coldest was 2 below. Jan. 25 it rained most of the day, in eve it turned to snow, but very little. On Jan. 28 it was 40 and very springlike. People are in fair health; some children have chicken pox.

Aylmer, Ontario, by LeRoy Eicher

The fore part of January we had a bit of snow, the latter part we had very little. The middle part we had a mild spell. The lowest temperature was 2 below zero. Grain is still selling high. Beef is low and hogs are around 55¢ lb.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

The first week it was cold and blowing, but the next week it turned warmer and had rain, a thaw that took sleighing. Jan. 11 had a high wind; had more snow that next week; was mostly colder over Sundays; rained some the last week, and snowed.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

January was unusually mild with only several mornings when the temperature dropped to zero. We had rain and mud too. Beef prices are low; hogs stronger with weaner pigs selling from $36 to $44 a piece; corn has dropped below $3.00.

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

We had an abundance of snow the latter part of December and first part of January. It warmed up around the 8th with rain, and winds up to 60 miles per hour. The temperature was up to 50 and the snow all disappeared. The week of the 13th was colder and mostly stormy, with snow reaching over a foot. The coldest we had was 5 below on the 20th. Some plowing was done before and after New Years.

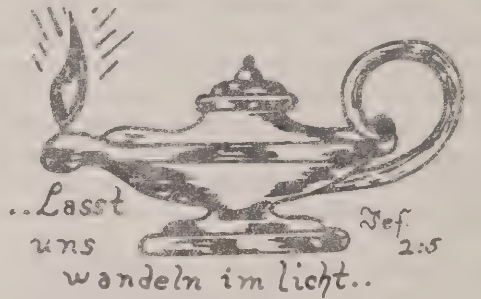
Grey County, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

January was a nice winter month with some very nice sunny days, mostly in the last week; several rainy days; snowfall was below normal. Jan. 11th was a very stormy day, with high winds which did minor damage to some buildings. The 13th was the only day of below zero temperature, with 18 below in low areas. The high for the month was 40 degrees.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Grey Co., Ontario

Mrs. Levi L. Shetler of Chatsworth and Mrs. Jacob P. Gingerich of Desboro R2 are both recovering slowly from their heart attacks.

Delila A., daughter of Andy A. Schrocks of Chesley R4, has trouble with her eyes. The doctor calls it Glaucoma. They operated on one eye and now other complications have set in. She will need another operation on this eye to correct it. After they get this healed the doctor also wants to operate on her other eye. If they don't do anything she will go blind with time.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MIGRATIONS OF 1974

Daniel Beachy, from Milton, Iowa to Bloomfield, Iowa, Feb. 28.

Jake Beachy, from Milton, Iowa to Bloomfield, Iowa, Feb. 27.

Norman Beachy, from Stuarts Draft, Va. to Marshfield, Mo., March 5.

Simon Beachy, from Dover, Del. to LeRaysville, Pa., May 2.

Elam Beiler, Lancaster Co., Pa. to Rebersburg, Pa., March 30.

Jacob E. Beiler, from Kinzers R1, Pa. to Lewisburg Pa. in March.

Daniel Bontrager, from New Glarus, Wis. to Guys Mills, Pa., Oct. 31.

Ervin Bontrager, from Fortuna, Mo. to Bronson, Mich., March 9.

Joe C. Bontrager, from Wilton, Wis. to Cashton, Wis., April 25.

Ezra Bontrager, from Milroy, Ind. to Topeka, Ind., March 27.

Levi Bontrager, from LaGrange, Ind. to Geneva, Ind., February 4.

Bishop Levi Bontrager, from Buchanan Co., Iowa to Milton, Iowa, Dec. 17.

Mose E. Bontrager, from Fairbank, Iowa to Clark, Mo., March 6.

Levi S. Borntrager, from Blair, Wis. to Curtiss, Wis., April 29.

Menno Borntrager, from Fortuna, Mo. to Bronson, Mich., May 4.

Pre. Abe Borntreger, from Trail, Ohio to Danville, Ohio, March 7.

Pre. Toby J. Borntreger, from Cashton, Wis. to Chetek R1, Wis., Oct. 29.

Jacob Brandenberger, from Camden, Mish. to Bronson, Mich., May 2

Daniel A. Brenneman, from Ashland, Ohio to Fredericktown, Ohio.

Elmer A. Brenneman, from Ashland, Ohio to Fredericktown, Ohio, Jan. 8.

Eli Burkholder, from Mt. View, Mo. to Crofton, Ky., May 20.

David Brown, from Richfield, Pa. to Norfolk R2, N. Y., June 4

Andy B. A. Byler, from Mercer, Pa. to Smicksburg, Pa., May 18

Dan E. Byler, from Norwich, Ont. to Lucknow, Ont., Sept. 26.

David A. Byler, from Conewango Valley, N. Y. to Sugar Grove, Pa. March 19.

Eli J. Byler, from Applecreek, Ohio to Greenville, Mich., March 7.

Eli S. Byler, from Littlestown, Pa. to Newburg, Pa., Sept. 10.

Henry Byler, from Stuarts Draft, Va. to Guthrie, Ky., May 8.

Jonas Byler, from Geauga Co., Ohio to Troutville, Pa.

Joni Byler, from Ohio to Norwich, Ont. in February.

Joni E. Byler, from Apple Creek R1, Ohio to Six Lakes, Mich., Feb. 27.

William W. Byler Jr., from Geauga Co., Ohio to Spartensburg, Pa., May 11.

Alvin Christner, from Mercer, Pa. to Geneva, Ind., June 6.

Henry Coblentz, from Uniontown, Ohio to Centerville, Pa., May 7.

John B. Detweiler, from Sugar Grove, Pa. to Conewango Valley, N. Y. in May.

Amos Eicher, from Liverpool, Pa. to Winthrop, R2, New York in April.

Joe Eicher, from Middlebury, Ind. to Mio, Mich., November 5.

Josiah Eicher, Pleasant Lake, Ind. to Norfolk, R1, New York, Sept. 17.

Benuel Esh, Littlestown, Pa. to Lancaster Co., Pa., March 13.

Isaac Esh, from Littlestown, Pa. to Newburg, Pa., March 13.

John F. Esh, from Littlestown, Pa. to Newburg, Pa., April 10

Simeon Esh, from Littlestown, Pa. to Peach Bottom, Pa.

Benuel Fisher, from Ronks R1, Pa. to Danville R3, Pa. Feb. 5.

Jacob Fisher, from Ronks R1, Pa. to Danville R3, Pa. Feb. 5.

Joe Fisher, from Kinzers, Pa. to Newville, Pa.

Andy F. Gingerich, from Princeton, Wis. to Bertha, Minnesota.

Dewey Gingerich, from Fortuna, Mo. to Bloomfield, Iowa, March 1.

Eli Gingerich, from Norwich, Ont. to Wingham, Ontario, April 4.

Elitt Gingerich, from Clark, Mo. to Milton, Iowa, February 26.

John Gingerich, trom Garnett, Kansas to Bloomfield, Iowa, Dec. 12.

Jonas M. Gingerich, from Apple Creek R2, Ohio to Harmony R2, Minn. Nov. 13.

Ben P. Girod, from Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. to Missouri, March 4.

David W. Glick, from Lancaster, Pa. to Lewisburg Pa. in May.

Milo Glick, from Geauga Co., Ohio to Fredericktown, Ohio, Feb. 27.

Andy C. Hershberger, from Middlefield, Ohio to Milroy, Ind., May 10.

Andy Hershberger, from Jackson Center, Pa. to Bradford Co., Pa., March 7.

Dan C. Hershberger, from Dalton R2, Ohio to Canton R1, Minn. Aug. 13.

Dan D. Hershberger, from Dundee R1, Ohio to Canton R3, Minn., March 12.

Gideon A. Hershberger, Apple Creek R2, Ohio to Canton R1, Minn. April 9.

Pre. Jake Hershberger, from Navarre R3, Ohio to Harmony R2, Minn., Nov. 19.

Levi D. Hershberger, from Apple Creek, Ohio to Lanesboro R2, Minn., Nov. 29.

Mose J. Hershberger, from Dalton, Ohio to Preston R1, Minn., Nov. 8.

Enos Hershberger, from Path Valley, Pa. to St. Mary's Co., Md., Oct. 30.

Gerald Hochstetler, from Punxsutaeney, Pa. to Aylmer, Ont., May 3.

Henry Hochstetler, from Fortuna, Mo. to Bloomfield, Iowa in September.

John Hochstetler, from Garnett, Kansas to Kalona, Iowa, Sept. 23.

Levi Hochstetler Jr., from Clark, Mo. to Milton, Iowa, Oct. 5.

Albert Hochstetler, from northern Indiana to Kokomo, Indiana, Feb. 25.

Joe Hostetler Jr., Ethridge, Tenn. to Sullivan, Ohio in December.

Bishop Simon Hostetler, from Milroy, Ind. to Jamesport, Mo., March 13.

William Hostetler, from Milroy, Ind. to Jamesport, Mo. in December.

Yost Hostetler, from Princeton, Wis. to Pulaski, Iowa, Dec. 29.

Alvin Kauffman, from Oakland, Md., to Marshfield, Mo., Feb. 28.

Amos Kauffman, Gordonville, Pa. to Loganton, Pa.

Cephas Kauffman, from Kalona, Iowa to Aylmer, Ontario, Feb. 28.

John A. Kauffman, Gordonville, Pa. to Loganton, Pa.

Junior Kauffman, from Oakland, Md. to Marshfield, Mo., Feb. 28.

Levi P. Kauffman, from Ronks R1, Pa. to Loganton R1, Pa. in June.

Albert Keim, from Ashland, Ohio to Cashton, Wis.

Amos King, from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Franklin Co., Pa., Feb. 8.

Amos K. King, from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Franklin Co., Pa.

Christ K. King, from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Franklin Co., Pa., March 5.

John S. King, from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Franklin Co., Pa.

Menno Kuhn, from Fortuna, Mo. to Bloomfield, Iowa, June 13.

Ben Kurtz, from Littlestown, R1, Pa. to Newburg R1, Pa. Sept. 25.

Neal A. Kurtz, from Independence, Iowa to Verndale, Minn.

Menno Lambright, from Fortuna, Mo. to Bloomfield, Iowa, Aug. 29.

Benjamin B. Lapp, from Ronks R1, Pa. to Rebersburg, Pa., March 13.

Christian Lapp, from Oxford R1, Pa. to Danville R2, Pa., March 6.

Henry Lehman, from Amherst, Wis. to Chetek R3, Wis., Oct. 18.

Levi Lee, from New Wilmington, Pa. to Atlantic, Pa. in June.

Amos Mast, from LaGrange, Ind. to Wadena, Minn., April 6.

Andy Mast, from Pleasant Lake, Ind. to Wadena, Minn. in March.

Felty Mast, from Jamesport, Mo. to Milton, Iowa, February 12.

John Mast, from LaGrange, Ind. to Wadena, Minn.

Albert Miller, from Norwich, Ont. to Lucknow, Ontario, April 2.

Alvin Miller, from Stuarts Draft, Va. to Marshfield, Mo., June 11.

Andy A. Miller Jr., from Dover, Del. to Milton, Iowa, April 6.

Ben J. Miller, from Spencer, Wis. to Belle Center, Ohio, June 24.

Denis E. Miller, from Navarre, Ohio to Canton R1, Minn., March 12.

Eli Miller, from Apple Creek R1, Ohio to Greenville R3, Mich. in April

Eli Miller, from Milroy, Ind. to Holmes Co., Ohio in April.

Eli J. Miller, From Apple Creek R1, Ohio to Lakeview, Mich., Jan. 7.

Ervin Miller, from Orrville, Ohio to Guys Mills, Pa., Nov. 30.

Glen S. Miller, Ligonier, Ind. to Martinsburg, Ohio, March 1.

Harry Miller, from New Glarus, Wis. to Milroy, Ind. in November.

Henry B. Miller, from Fredericksburg, Ohio to Ashland, Ohio, March 26.

Henry H. Miller, from Tomah, Wis. to Chetek R3, Wis., Nov. 29.

John E. Miller, from Fredericksburg, Ohio to Ashland, Ohio, March 26.

Jonas J. Miller, from Middlefield, Ohio to Norwich, Ontario, March 29.

Levi A. Miller, from Amherst, Wis. to Hewitt, Minn., Feb. 21.

Levi A. Miller, Norwich, Ont. to Lucknow, Ont., March 28.

Levi D. Miller, Navarre, Ohio to Harmony R2, Minn., Dec. 18.

Levi W. Miller, Amherst, Wis. to Cashton, Wis. Feb. 20.

Mahlon Miller, to Centerville, Pa.

Mose Miller, from New Glarus, Wis. to Milroy, Ind.

Ora Miller, from Holmes Co., Ohio to Danville, Ohio, March 20.

Raymond Miller, from Arthur, Ill. to Kokomo, Ind., Feb. 14.

Roman Miller, from Belleville, Wis. to Milroy, Ind., April 9.

Roman Miller, from Fredericksburg, Ohio to Ashland, Ohio, March 27.

Sam E. Miller, from Big Prairie, Ohio to Ashland, Ohio, April 11

Wm. Miller, from Arthur, Ill. to Milton, Iowa in July.

Willis Miller, from New Glarus, Wis. to Milroy, Ind., March 28.

Harry Mishler Jr., from LaGrange, Ind. to Bloomfield, Iowa, Oct. 31.

Eli E. Mullet, from Buchanan Co., Iowa to Wis. March 28.

Ura Mullet, from Kenton, Ohio to Fredericktown, Ohio, Dec. 12.

Hugh Nesbitt, from Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. to Norfolk, New York in November.

Mose Nissley, from Holmes Co., Ohio to Danville, O.

Andy H. Petersheim, from Fredericksburg, Ohio to Harmony R2, Minn., Nov. 14.

Henry J. Petersheim, Fredericksburg, Ohio to Harmony R2, Minn., Nov. 14.

John H. Petersheim, from Fredericksburg, Ohio to Canton R1, Minn. March 11.

Ivan Schmucker, from Fortuna, Mo. to Coldwater, Mich., Feb. 27.

William Schmucker, from Huntsburg, Ohio to Wayne Co., Ohio, March 16.

Christ Schwartz, from Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. to Norfolk R2, New York, May 4.

Dan Schwartz, from Hudson R1, Ind. to Norfolk R1, New York, Sept. 17.

Jake Schwartz, from Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. to Norfolk R2, New York in April.

Mose Schwartz, from Pleasant Lake R1, Ind. to Norfolk R1, New York, Sept. 26.

Mose T. Schwartz, from Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. to Norfolk R 2, New York, April 11.

Pete Schwartz, from Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. to Norfolk R2, New York, April 11.

Jacob D. Shetler, from Wayne Co., Ohio to Norwich, Ont., Dec. 17.

John D. Shetler, from Tillsonburg R7, Ont. to Whitehall, Ontario.

Mosie J. Shetler, to Dungammon, Ontario.

Mose M. Shetler, from Stirling, Ont. to Greenville R3, Michigan.

Adam J. Shrock, from Westby, Wis. to Bronson, Mich. in February.

Emanuel Shrock Jr., from Ashland, Ohio to Milton, Iowa, Feb. 27.

Joe J. Shrock, from Ashland, Ohio to Fredericktown, Ohio, March 28.

Lawrence Shrock, from Indiana to Spartensburg, Pa.

Melvin E. Shrock, from Barrs Mills, Ohio to Danville, Ohio, April 17.

Roman Shrock, from Westby, Wis. to Bronson, Mich., May 4.

Wm. Shrock, from New Glarus, Wis. to Milroy, Ind., December 17.

Wm. W. Shrock, from Whitehall Wis. to Wadens, Minn.

Mervin Smoker, from Gordonville, Pa. to Newburg, Pa., Nov. 27.

Stephen Stoll, from Guaimaca, Honduras to Aylmer, Ont., Feb. 21.

Amos Stoltzfus, from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Loganton, Pa., April 4.

Amos L. Stoltzfus, from Littlestown R1, Pa. to Newburg, Pa., Dec. 10

Ben Stoltzfus, from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Loganton, Pa., Jan. 28.

Benuel Stoltzfus, from Mechanicsville, Md. to Danville R2, Pa., Aug. 16.

Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus, from Gordonville R1, Pa. to Loganton, Pa. in March.

Isaac K. Stoltzfus, from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Aylmer, Ontario, Feb. 13.

Jacob M. Stoltzfus, Lancaster Co., Pa. to Danville, February 5.

John E. Stoltzfus, from Kirkwood R1, Pa. to Bloomsburg R1, Pa., March 7.

John M. Stoltzfus, from Christiana, Pa. to Bloomsburg, Pa., Feb. 28.

Nickolas Stoltzfus, from Punxsutawney, Pa. to Salem, Ind., Nov. 14.

Levi E. Stoltzfus, from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Danville R3, Pa., Feb. 5.

Samuel H. Stoltzfus, from Mechanicsville, Md. to Danville R3, Pa., May 14.

Samuel K. Stoltzfus, from Christiana, Pa. to Bloomsburg, Pa., Feb. 20.

Samuel K. Stoltzfus, from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Loganton, Pa., Sept. 3.

Samuel S. Stoltzfus, from Kirkwood, Pa. to Bloomsburg, Pa., March 7.

Samuel U. Stoltzfus, from Kirkwood, Pa. to Bloomsburg, Pa., Feb. 5.

Stephen Stoltzfus, from Kirkwood, Pa. to Loganton, Pa. in March.

Benjamin Stutzman, from Mt. Elgin R1, Ont. to Greenville R3, Mich. in March.

Eli Stutzman, to Lucknow, Ontario.

Herman Stutzman, from Dover, Del. to Marshfield, Mo., Dec. 17.

Perry E. Stutzman, from Fairbanks, Iowa to Mt. Elgin, Ontario, April 9.

Samuel Swarey, from Mifflintown, Pa. to Rebersburg, Pa., Jan. 25.

Abe E. Swartzentruber, from New Wilmington, Pa. to Atlantic, Pa., March 7.

Mahlon Troyer, from Middlefield, Ohio to Spartensburg, Pa., Sept. 19.

Mose and Neil Troyer, from Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. to Norfolk, New York.

Jacob Wagler, from Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. to Bowling Green, Missouri.

Alvin Wengerd, from Geauga Co., Ohio to Fredericktown, Ohio.

Andy Wengerd, from Winesburg, Ohio to Conneautville, Pa., April 25.

Atlee Wengerd, from Fredericksburg, Ohio to Ashland, Ohio, March 14.

Dan Wengerd, from Mifflintown, Pa. to Belleville, Pa. in March.

Eli E. Wengerd, from Geauga Co., Ohio to Atlantic, Pennsylvania.

John Wengerd, from Dry Run, Pa. to Mifflintown, Pa., March 13.

Alvin Yoder, Amherst, Wis. to Hewitt, Minn. Feb. 21.

Andy D. Yoder, from Desboro, Ontario to Canton R1, Minn., Dec. 5.

David M. Yoder, from Milroy, Ind. to Jamesport, Mo., March 26.

Eli B. Yoder, from Apple Creek, Ohio to Greenville R3, Michigan in March.

Elmer Yoder, from Fortuna, Mo., to Bloomfield, Ia.

Henry Yoder, from Fortuna, Mo., to Bloomfield, Ia.

Henry J. Yoder, from Whitehall, Wis., to Bertha R1, Minnesota.

Noah B. Yoder, from Dover, Del. to Somerset Co., Pa., May 8.

Robert L. Yoder, from Middlefield, Ohio to Milton, Iowa, March 30.

Rudy Yoder, from Apple Creek, Ohio to Walan, Minn., Sept. 21.

Sam J. Yoder, from New Glarus Wis., to Buchanan Co., Iowa, March 19.

Sam K. Yoder, from Mifflintown, Pa. to Aylmer, Ontario, April 3.

Sam R. Yoder, from Apple Creek, Ohio to Lanesboro, Minn., Sept. 21.

Walter Yoder, from Lakeside, Ont. to Embro, Ont.

Dennis L. Zook, from Ethridge, Tenn. to Sullivan, Ohio in December.

Henry Zook, from Lancaster Co., Pa. to Newmanstown, Pa., Feb. 28.

Wilmer Zook, from Narvon, Pa. to Mifflinburg, Pa. in May.

Migrations were numerous in the year of 1974. New settlements were started in Montour Co., Pa., Six Lakes, Mich., Canton, Minn., and Chetek, Wis. The latter was just started toward the end of the year. Canton, Minn. area has 16 families, all but one from the Apple Creek, Ohio area. The Six Lakes, Mich. community has six families, also mostly from Apple Creek, Ohio. The Montour Co., Pa. settlement was started with ten families from Lancaster County and two from St. Mary's Co., Md. They have four Sam Stoltzfuses in this settlement. Sugar Valley, Clinton Co., Pa. increased by nine families to 23. The Franklin-Cumberland Co. settlement also increased by at least nine families. Reports from there were somewhat incomplete.

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The Hour Glass

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE DR. HANS OR JOHN AND MAGDALENA BLANK FAMILY

By Amos L. Fisher

Continued from November 1974 issue

(103) Elizabeth Hooley (62), born in Mifflin Co., Pa., married to John Lantz, born in Lancaster County, June 22, 1780, the son of Jacob and Magdalena (Kurtz) Lantz. This Jacob Lantz and family moved from the Conestoga Valley to Mifflin County. John and Elizabeth (Hooley) Lantz had two children before he died as a rather young man, they were, (104) Mary Lantz (103), born July 12, 1804, died May 9, 1885, married to Joseph Byler, born May 6, 1801, died July 18, 1883; he was a minister and a son of Bishop Hans and Mary (Detweiler) Byler of Mifflin County; their children are (105) Elizabeth (104), born June 10, 1823, died in 1870, married to Daniel Yoder, he died at the age of forty three years; (106) Leah Byler (104), born April 11, 1825, died in 1910, married to Jacob Hostetler, the son of Joseph Hostetler of Mifflin County, a few of the descendants moved to Lawrence Co., Pa.; (107) John Byler (104), born in 1827, married to Elizabeth Hertzler, her husband, John Byler, died at the age of thirty nine years, she then married her second husband, Christian Zook, this family is widely scattered, including Mifflin Co., Pa., Logan Co., Ohio, Newton, Harper and Hestoon, Kansas, East Lynn, Missouri and points further west; (108) Joseph Byler Jr. (104), born Dec. 18, 1829, died March 29, 1912, married first to Magdalena Lantz, born Oct. 19, 1832, died Feb. 25, 1863, a daughter of Christian and Leah (Zook) Lantz who moved from Lancaster County to Union County and back to Lancaster, where they died and are buried in the Millwood Cemetery. (108) Joseph Byler Jr. (104) and his wife Magdalena had one son, (109) Menno Beiler (108), born Sept. 1, 1860, died Feb. 26, 1936 in Lancaster County, he was married to Nancy Beiler, a daughter of Josiah and Lydia (Zook) Beiler of Union Co., Pa. There are several of this family still living, namely Mary, wife of Daniel Beiler of Florida, also Malinda, widow of Bishop Jacob K. Lapp of Gordonville, Pa. (108) Joseph Byler Jr. married his second wife, Nancy Stoltzfus, widow of Stephen Blank and daughter of John and Mary (Mast) Stoltzfus. There were two children born to this union, namely, (110) John Beiler (108), born Oct. 31, 1866, married to Elizabeth Yoder, daughter of David and Catharine (King) Yoder, second to Betsie Augsburger. He was ordained minister and Bishop of the Groffdale District. Four children born to this union were Katie, wife of Daniel Blank, Moses Beiler, Elam Beiler, minister, and John A. Beiler of the home farm. The other child of Joseph Jr. and Nancy Beiler was (111) Mary Beiler (108), married to Jacob P. Riehl, his grandson, Christian Riehl, is a minister at present in Lancaster County. (Writer's note: When Joseph Byler Jr. moved to Lancaster County he changed the spelling of his name from Byler to Beiler.)

(112) Benjamin Byler (104), born Oct. 27, 1831 died June 1, 1870, married to Rebecca Peachey of Belleville; their daughter, Nancy Byler, married to David Y. Renno; they were the parents of the late Bishop John Renno and grandparents of the present Bishop Josiah Renno.

(113) Solomon Byler (104), born March 27, 1834, died in 1901, married first to Fannie , second to Nancy Kauffman. Some of this family were settlers in Lawrence Co., Pa. One was Moses Byler married to Leah Yoder.

(114) Jonathan L. Byler (104), born March 17, 1836, died in 1910, married to Sarah Yoder, born Aug. 30, 1840, died Nov. 9, 1912, a daughter of Yost and Catharine (Zook) Yoder (Catharine Zook, a daughter of Bishop Long Christian Zook). They had two children, namely, (115) Katie Y. Byler (114), married to Jacob C. Hertzler, born in Juniata County, Pa.; and (116) Lizzie Byler (114), born in 1870, married to Menno Stoltzfus, son of Jacob and Nancy (King) Stoltzfus of Union Co., Pa. One of their sons, M. Simeon Stoltzfus, is a minister in the Mennonite Church at Parkesburg, Pennsylvania.

(117) David L. Byler (104), born June 28, 1838 died in 1923, married to Franey Yoder, a sister to his brother Jonathan Byler's wife, Sarah, and were also sisters to Pre. Christian Z. Yoder who was married to Rosanna McGonegal. They had one daughter, Mary Byler, born in 1863, married to Christian K. Smoker of Lancaster County, but lived and raised a family in Belleville. Christian Smoker, a Mennonite, was for quite a few years the editor of the Belleville Times. Their oldest daughter, Aarie Smoker, was the first wife of Isaac Zook of Christiana, Pa.; the second daughter, Barbara Smoker, is married to Moses Yoder of Bird-in-Hand, Pa.

(118) Isaac Byler (104), died at the age of one year and six months.

(119) Eli L. Byler (104), born Feb. 9, 1843, died Nov. 14, 1918, married to Rachel Heading. They had three children, William Byler died at the age of twenty three years, Elmer Byler died at twenty four, and Cyrus Byler is non-Amish.

(120) Mary L. Byler (104), born in 1845, died in 1930, married to David S. Blank, son of Jacob and Mary (Stoltzfus) Blank. There is a large offspring of this family in Lancaster County at the present time, including the aged Deacon Joseph Blank of the White

Horse section. His brother, the late David R. Blank, served as minister, and David's son, David Blank of Hartman's Station is bishop at present.

(121) Samuel L. Byler (104), born Jan. 24, 1848, married four times, first to Leah Kanagy, born in 1852, died in 1880, they had five children of which only three were married, namely, Joseph K. Byler, married to Susie Zook, no children; John T. Byler, married to Emma Fisher, no children; David L. Byler, married to Sarah Stoltzfus, daughter of (Kansas) Amos Stoltzfus, they had four children, Mennonite. Samuel L. Byler married his second wife, Sarah Yoder, widow of Siver Yoder of Belleville, Pa., they had one son who died at four months of age. Samuel L. Byler married his third wife, Salome Beiler, of Lancaster County. To this union were born two children, of which one died at nine years of age, and Rachel Byler who married to Jonas Stoltzfus. They moved from the Conestoga Valley in Lancaster County to Dover, Delaware, from there to Oakland, Maryland where he died. Their family is widely scattered, Elizabeth married to Pre. Noah Yoder of Union Co., Pa.; Lydia Stoltzfus married to Jacob Hertzler of Canada; Rachel Stoltzfus married to Pre. Urie Shetler of Paraguay, South America. Samuel Byler married his fourth wife, Lydia (Hertzler) Kauffman, a daughter of David and Lydia (Yoder) Hertzler. She was first married to David H. Kauffman. Samuel Byler and his fourth wife both died March 6, 1920 of Flu Pneumonia, and are buried in one grave at Allensville, Mifflin Co., Pennsylvania.

. The other daughter of John and Elizabeth (Hooley) Lantz was (122) Magdalena Lantz (103), married to Isaac Yoder, a son of Christian and Sarah (Hertzler) Yoder. He was better known as "Butcher Christ." To Isaac and Magdalena were born three children, namely, (123) Elizabeth Yoder (122), married to Yost Hostetler of Mifflin County. Their children are Mattie Hostetler married to David H. Byler, Lawrence Co.; Barbara Hostetler, unmarried; Isaac Y. Hostetler, minister, married to Fannie C. Zook, the parents of Pre. Christian Z. Hostetler of Path Valley; Katie Hostetler, married to Moses K. Byler, New Wilmington, Pa.; Joseph R. Hostetler, married to Lydia Zook, New Wilmington, Pa.; Jacob Hostetler, married to Mary E. Byler, New Wilmington, Pa.; Lizzie Hostetler, unmarried; Daniel Y. Hostetler, married to Lydia Byler. Their son, Elmer Hostetler, born in 1922, married to Martha Byler, died in February of 1974 at Oakland, Maryland.

(124) Sarah Yoder (122), married to Eli S. King, deacon, son of Samuel and Fannie (Zook) King. They were the grandparents of the present Pre. Daniel N. King in the Speicher District of Belleville.

(125) Joseph Yoder (122), married to Franey Yoder, daughter of Michael Yoder. They only had two children but at present there is a very large offspring of this family in Reedsville and Milroy section of Mifflin County, Pennsylvania.

As stated before, John Lantz died a young man in Mifflin County, so his widow, Elizabeth Hooley, remarried to Solomon King, born in 1790, the youngest son of Pre. Christian King's first marriage, to Catharine Kurtz. Pre. Christian King married his second wife, Elizabeth Beiler, and moved to Lancaster County on the farm where the writer was born and raised along Rt. 340, west of the town of Intercourse. From there they moved to Mifflin County, where his wife, Elizabeth, died along the Three Locks; from there he moved to Huntington County; from there to Fairfield County, Ohio as an Amish Preacher. When he died he left a widow named Mary which was his third wife. As mentioned before, his son, Solomon King, married the widow, Elizabeth (Hooley) Lantz, with whom he had three daughters, namely, (126) Lydia King (103), married to Benjamin Yoder, the son of "Butcher" Christian Yoder. They had one daughter, Lydia Y. Yoder, married to Joseph Zook. They had three daughters who married and moved to Lawrence Co., Pa. (127) Sarah King (103), married to Simeon Yoder, also a son of "Butcher" Christian Yoder. Their descendants are mostly in Reedsville and Milroy sections of Mifflin County and some in Lawrence Co., Pa. The youngest daughter of Solomon King was Leah King, unmarried.

Next on the list of the children of John and Catharine (Blank) Hooley is (129) Fanny Hooley (62), born Nov. 22, 1787, died April 27, 1858, married to Joseph Kanagy, born Jan. 9, 1792, died Aug. 11, 1874, a son of Jacob Kanagy. They are both buried in Spruce Hill Twp., west of Port Royal in Juniata Co., Pa. We will not go into many details on this family because Ezra Kanagy of Belleville has compiled a very good register of the Kanagy family in 1964, but will mention the names of the children and where they lived, if known: (130) John H. Kanagy (129), born April 12, 1817, died in 1868, married first to Anna Yoder, daughter of "Butcher" Christian Yoder, second to Gertrude, or Charity, Yoder, daughter of Bishop Joel Yoder; (131) Jacob Kanagy (129), born in 1819, married to Barbara Zook, they died in Logan Co., Ohio; (132) Simon Kanagy (129), born in 1820, married to Elizabeth Zook, a daughter of Bishop "Long" Christian and Frony (King) Zook; (133) Mary Kanagy (129), born in 1821, married to Isaac Hertzler, they lived at Morgantown and from there moved to Long Green in Baltimore Co., Maryland; (134) Levi Kanagy (129), died at the age of six years; (135) David Kanagy (129), born in 1824, married to Mary Hertzler, a daughter of Shem Hertzler; (136) Catharine Kanagy (129), born in 1827, married to Jonas Yoder, a son of David and Mary (Yoder) Yoder of Juniata County, Jonas and Catharine moved to Lancaster County where they died and are buried in the Beiler's Cemetery, they had one son, Benjamin H. Yoder, he married first to Elizabeth Petersheim second to Sarah Ellen Slaubach of Samerset County; (137) Lydia Kanagy (129), born in 1831, married to David A. Yoder.

(138) Mary Hooley (62), married to John Kanagy, a brother to Joseph Kanagy. They had four children, namely, John, married to Lydia Zook; John, married to Gertrude Yoder; Catherine, married to Joel Zook; Mary, married to Jonathan King.

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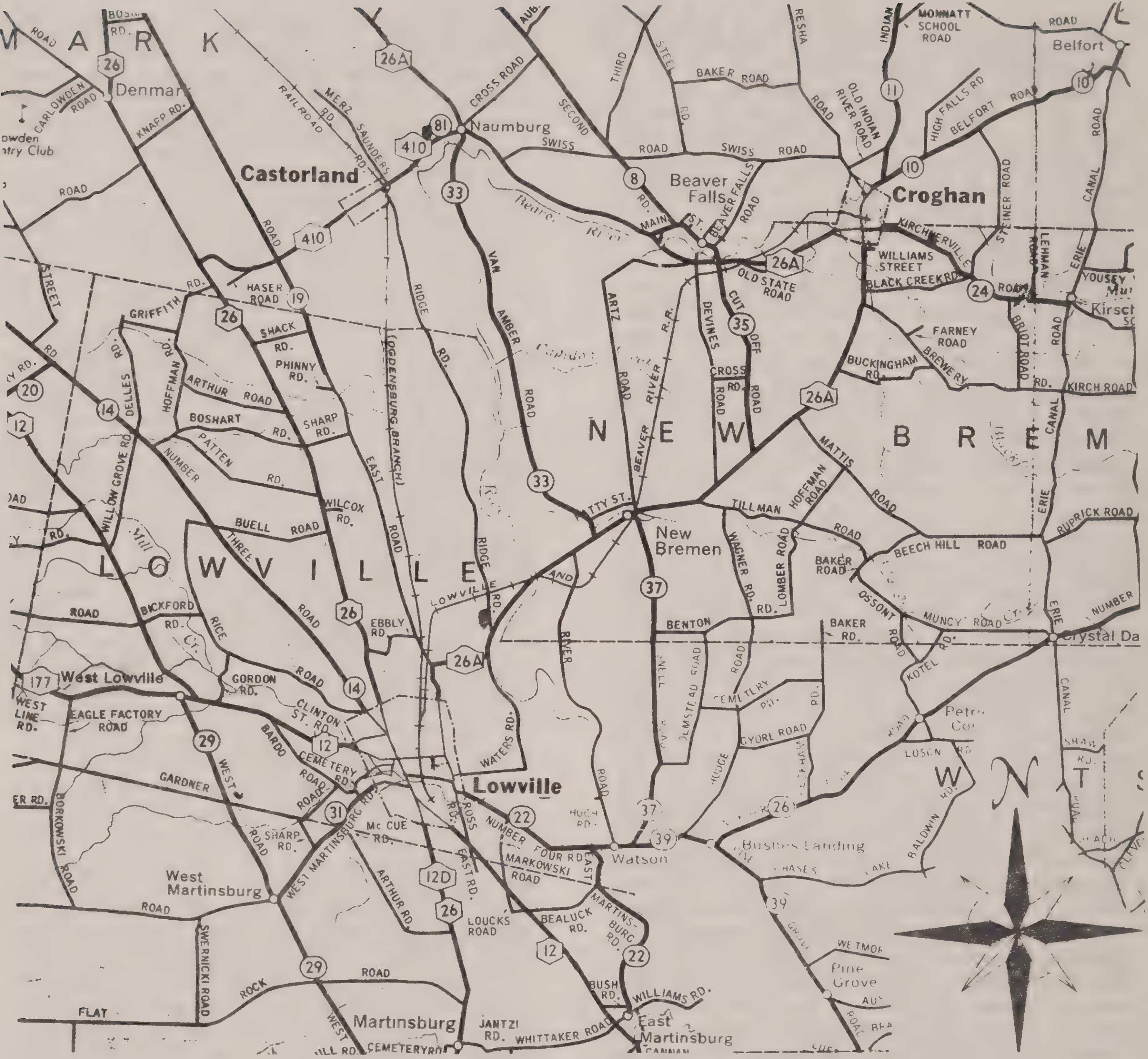
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Map of Amish Settlement in Lewis County, New York

LEWIS COUNTY, NEW YORK

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Diphtheria ranged through the community, taking its toll, and a plague of Smallpox followed. All these diversified conditions in the Gay Nineties created the Golden Years to follow.

Church activities, from Budget letters: "Nov. 22, 1894 - Michael S. Zehr of Kalona, Ia. and Anna Zehr of Croghan will be united in marriage; July 24, 1899 - Quite a few of our young folks are starting to serve God (perhaps attending instructions); Nov. 12, 1899 - Five young souls were baptized; Aug. 1899 - Church service was held at Christian Mosiers, next Sunday to be at Joe Widericks.

"Oct. 1899 - Church services were held at Simon Lehman Sr. yesterday conducted by Chr. Roggie; May 5, 1900 - Church service at Christ Widrick, with a small attendance on account of the snow storm; April 30, 1900 - Church service at Joseph Lyndaker conducted by Christian Roggie." The same letter mentions something about the German paper problem. Evidently there were requests from certain readers that a German part should be added to the Budget, which never happened. This was near the time when John Funk discontinued the German Herald der Wahrheit.

"June 7, 1900 - Church services were held at Joe Widrichs where Nic Nafziger (of Canada) preached a very interesting sermon; Aug. 3, 1900 - Church services at John Youseys' on Sunday; Dec. 28, 1901 - Church services at John Widrichs on Christmas; July 17, 1903 - Church services at Christian Roggies; Aug. 29, 1903 - Church services at Jacob Schrags; Sept. 1904 - We expect a wedding in two weeks, John

Martins' oldest daughter will be married to Solomon son of John Widrick; Nov. 30, 1904 - Church service was held at Chris Martins on Sunday. Seven young folks were baptized; Sept. 23, 1909 - Church service at Daniel Mose and communion at Peter Martins' next time.

"Oct. 17, 1900 - The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Lehman of New Breman, died this morning, will be buried on Friday; Nov. 5, 1900 - Jacob Roggies' oldest daughter was buried the last of October, aged nine years. Jan. 27, 1901 - John Mosier died on Monday was buried on Wednesday, aged 81 years. May 29, 1901 - Funeral services were held for Carrie daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Noftziger of Casterland aged 4 yrs. April 1, 1902 by Joe J. Zehr - Grandpa Joseph Mosher died Mar. 16 aged 86. Feb. 28, 1903 - John Bellar of Nebraska came here to attend his sisters funeral Mary Sauer aged 52. May 20, 1903 - Loma wife of Peter Youcey died at her home near Belfort last Tuesday aged 79."

Briefs on the Original Cemetery

From the Farney–Virkler–Zehr Family History: "Bishop Michael Zehr who was born in Lorraine, France 1789, came to Lewis Co. N. Y. prior to 1836, was a leader to organize the first Amish Church in that county. He died in 1880 and was buried in the Zehr homestead graveyard. His wife as well as many of his descendants are buried there. The last one to be buried there is Catherine Zehr Naftziger wife of Joseph Naftziger. Bishop Zehr reserved these burial grounds only variable to be used for that purpose. No deed was given for the property. Later a new cemetery was established near Kirschnerville."

A visitor to Lewis County, New York will not want to by-pass this noted graveyard on the old Zehr homestead now occupied by Ira Zehr. The simple mode of burial, which clearly displays the sixteenth century Swiss costume, makes this one outstanding among Amish Mennonite cemeteries today. An observer will ask for directions at the Zehr home, then he will proceed out a field lane, looking carefully for a narrow path through the corn field in which the old graveyard is found. In later years a wall was built around it, otherwise it could hardly be found without a guide. The wall is well-kept, and we enter through a sturdy steel gate. There are no markers to be found by a grave anywhere, only sunken mounds of earth can tell us where they are. They are neatly laid in rows and from the right direction or place we can count about fifty graves. To place a wooden marker or shingle at the head of a grave without inscriptions is the old Swiss tradition. These are now all aged and withered away. Perhaps a caretaker has a handed down list of names and places of the burials.

Church Socials, from Budget letters

Besides church services, weddings and funerals, we have notes of singings for both old and young, it seems. The latter seem to occur mostly on special occasions, on holidays and when visitors were there from other communities. Other socials were frolics and bees, these are listed quite frequently. In 1899 Simon Lehman had a bee to reshingle his barn; a husking bee is reported at Peter Bellars, Oct. 12, 1902; a wood bee at Christ Zehrs, the girls were scarce on account of bad weather; a barn raising at Fred Woolchlagers' (a neighbor); a few sugar bees are listed, and perhaps many more took place that are not recorded. Recreations or amusements are rarely listed. If these should be added to our socials we can name a few. The most popular one was to go on excursion rides to Thousand Islands which is recorded a few times.

Society with other Amish communities are quite frequent. After these events, migrations, or intermarriage with other communities, often followed. Canada took the lead to exchange society, Michigan was next, some visits were exchanged with Lancaster County and Mifflin County, Pa., as well as with Kansas and Holt County, Nebraska. A Nov. 18, 1903 Gordonville, Pa. Budget letter states that Jacob G. Stoltzfus intends to start for Lewis County, New York; another letter, of Feb. 28, 1905, followed, saying that Jacob Stoltzfus and Barbara Naftziger will be married on Thursday.

Sept. 23, 1909, Mr. and Mrs. Christ Ernst of Holt County, Nebraska are visiting friends and relatives here. Mrs. Ernst's maiden name was Moser.

Feb. 28, 1905, Joe Zehr, the Budget scribe, left Croghan by train to Lancaster Co., Pa. and visited there three weeks. Joel, Amos, and Noah Zook and Benjamin Blank returned with him to Lewis County. Of course there were many other visits of equal importance too numerous to list them all.

Migrations

The Lewis County settlement remained intact compared to most other settlements of the time. However we can list a few notable migrations. April 28, 1900, Mike S. Zehr and John B. Zehr are reported to be on a business trip to Michigan; on June 7, 1900 they are home again; Mike has bought a farm in Michigan. In Aug. 20, 1900 John B. Zehr is reported loading his car with household goods and head for Michigan; Andrew Martin, a young man, also left for the same place. Oct. 7, 1900, Mike Zehr had public sale the 12th and will go to Michigan this fall. July 17, 1904, A. B. Zehr and Rev. Crist Hofsinger have returned home from a visit to Huron, Oscoda, and Wexford Counties, Michigan, but have found Huron County their choice and intend to locate there before long. Nov. 29, 1902, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gingerich, who were married recently, will leave for Canada in three weeks where they will make their future home.

Crops and Weather

Geographically Lewis County, New York is within the same latitude as Vermont, New Hampshire, and Southern Maine in America, or the same as Poland in Europe, and as far north as Waterloo County, Ontario, Canada. As we would expect, it has a relatively short growing season, however, we are somewhat surprised at respective mild winters reported. Perhaps the Great Lakes have a tendency to moderate the climate somewhat. Anyway, our colony has been enabled to thrive under the more frigid climate that prevailed in their region. Our colony was mainly dependant on agriculture so weather was an important factor.

Lewis County, New York has long been noted for its Dairy products. In this 1890–1909 period the weather was in general favorable for the dairy, in spite of some adverse conditions reported. In the 1899 drouth period one report says, grain yields are better than expected; and a Dec. 1899 letter reports that there are many wells dry; and on July 14, 1900 reports, hay is a light crop, just enough rain to keep crops growing. In contrast, the next spring was exceedingly wet. A June 3, 1901 letter reports, there is a lot of ground that is drowned. The meadows are looking fine, indications for a heavy hay crop. Aug. 13, 1901 - Thrashing is the order of the day, we have plenty of rain, it is difficult for farmers to finish thrashing. May 25, 1902 - We had quite a frost two weeks ago, the ground was froze too hard to plow. July 6, 1902 - We had a cool and wet spring, it is raining nearly every day. Grass is green, oats are good. The grasshoppers have done considerable damage. Aug. 8, 1902 - We are pleased to state that we had four or five good hay days, but today it is raining as usual, prospects for a half corn crop at this writing. Farmers are not done haying yet and are almost compelled to dry their hay on hopkilns. July 1903, hay is a fair crop, corn is a failure, oats will be heavy.

Other weather conditions outside the growing season of interest are reported. Dec. 19, 1899 - Weather is quite cold, a little snow about every day, it is eight inches deep now and makes fair sleighing. Mar. 5, 1900 - We had a severe snow storm which lasted three days. The roads are blockaded, the snow is 2½ feet deep in the open fields. Mar. 12, 1900 - Weather is nice but cold, 17 degrees below zero this morning. Oct. 17, 1900 - Weather is nice but cold, it snowed yesterday. Mar. 9, 1901 - We had a very long winter, 105 days of sleighing. Oct. 18, 1901 - Weather is wet and cold, it snowed several times already. Feb. 6, 1902 - Cold and stormy weather. The roads were all blocked for two days. The young people that attended the singing at John Yousey's had a long stay, they could not go home until Wednesday afternoon. Feb. 10, 1902 - We are having very severs snowstorms. For a week there was no traffic on the highways. May 10, 1904 - Fine spring weather after a cold winter. We had 153 days sleighing.

In the midst of typical cold winters in Lewis County some open winter periods are reported. Dec. 26, 1900 - We have had nice and warm weather before Christmas, which spoiled the sleighing. Some reports of rain instead of expected snow during winter months register.

High water from spring rains and melting snow, as well as floods during the summer, caused extensive damage. April 27, 1900 - Black River has been overflowed so that thousands of acres of land had been under water. Mar. 6, 1902 - We were again visited by floods, much damage was done. Three bridges were carried away that spanned Murmur Creek. Dec. 18, 1901 - We had a cloudburst on Saturday which flooded the main streets of Lowville and New Bremen. The water tore out one side of the dam. It tore a channel through the main street 8 ft. deep. The iron bridge between Lowville and New Bremen is gone, and the electric light poles are all down for about a mile, Lowville is in the dark. No passenger train came to Lowville until yesterday on account of bridges taken away. The water is the highest known for 20 years. Mar. 27, 1903 letter reports high rivers and quite a lot of damage.

Cash crops are also listed on our records, but many times the weather was not so favorable. A Sept. 10, 1899 report reads, potatoes are a light crop on account of dry weather. An Aug. 31, 1901 report says, potatoes will rot if it stays wet. Aug. 18, 1901 - It is too wet to dig potatoes which are a poor crop. There are about ¾ of them rotting. Some farmers will not dig them at all. An Oct. 4, 1903 report says, farmers are busy digging potatoes which is a good crop.

We have one note of hop picking which shows that they were raised on commercial basis in 1899. Blackberries are mentioned rather outstanding in 1901, one account says they are being picked by the bushel daily. A Aug. 19, 1901 account says, this is not much of a wheat country. Fodder mangles have been raised abundantly in 1907, one report says they averaged 1,000 bushels per acre.

The number of forest fires recorded indicate periods of dry weather. Aug. 21, 1899 - Forest fires north of here are doing a great deal of damage. Thousands of acres of valuable timberland has been almost entirely destroyed. May 18, 1903 - Rain is very much needed to put out the many forest fires that are raging in this district.

Maple sugar is mentioned nearly every year in Budget letters. April 28, 1900 - Maple sugar is gathered by the buckets. The season is said to be at an end. Shippers pay from 8 to 9 cents per lb. Mar. 9, 1901, announces the opening of the sugar season. April 23, 1902 - Sugaring is over and made a fair yield, some made as high as three pounds to the tree. Mar. 26, 1903 - Sugar is a poor crop this year. Some have made a pound from a tree. Price for syrup is from 62 to 65 cents per gallon. Feb. 3, 1908 - Sugar makers get 80¢ per gallon for syrup. Andrew Zehr will tap 550 trees.

Prices for Milk

Although dairying was considered a good enterprise the market was somewhat low and limited during the nineties. In the first decade of 1900 creameries were opened which offered a more stable market. A Nov. 23, 1899 letter says that the cheese factories in this county have pretty near all closed. They are paying from $1.30 to 1.40 per Cwt. at the Lowville milk station. The lowest figure for milk is $.95 Cwt. in April 1900 and the highest was $1.70 per Cwt. on Oct. 3, 1907 at the new milk plant in Croghan. Cheese is marketed at 11¢ per lb. in May 1902 and 14¢ per lb. in 1903.

The new creameries made more demand for ice. We have a few records of ice hauling, which was also customary on the farm. Jan. 16, 1900 - We have started to store up ice for the summer, which is about 16 icnhes thick. In Jan. 22, 1909 is an account of hauling ice on a commercial basis. Cold Storage has finished filling ice house. McCormick Milk and Cream have started to fill ice house but must wait now till it gets colder.

Besides dairying a few livestock speculations can be listed. The most outstanding one comes from a Feb. 3, 1908 letter, Virkler Bro. shipped two carloads of calves from this place on Saturday paying 5½¢ per lb. and are also loading a carload of potatoes at 60¢ per bushel.

Perhaps a few notes should be added concerning improved grain harvesting methods. Aug. 31, 1904 - The whistle of the thresher is heard in all directions. Sept. 5, 1907 - Martin Bros. who have bought a 12 horse power traction engine and thresher are making lots of smoke. Oct. 3, 1907 - Farmers are doing fall threshing. They are about half done. Some machinery has moved home already.

Besides dairying and farming we have a surprising amount of notes on off farm jobs. Nov. 5, 1900 - Jacob L. Zehr is tearing down part of the old tannery for C. Yousey. Mar. 24, 1901 - The log drive has begun and about one hundred log drivers will board with Mr. Yousey. May 10, 1901 - Lumber men are moving in the woods and are offering $35.00 per month, help being very scarce. Joe Lyndaker, Joe, Dave and Crist Yousey have a pulp job of 600 cords to put up this summer at Jordan Falls. Andrew Martin is working for C. Lyndaker. Mr. Lyndaker is working in the gold mine at Balsam Creek. Aug. 3, 1900 - Our gold mines are starting up again with two new factories, one at Belfort and one at Mt. Tom. Aug. 31, 1904 - A carload of sand has been sent to New York City for testing from Belfort gold fields. The writer will work for A. J. Virkler at brick making this summer. Aug. 9, 1901 - Several men have been here the past week blasting rock out of the river to make a better passage for logs in the spring. Dommick Moshier and three sons have gone to the woods to work for C. E. Putman. Feb. 6, 1902 - Miss Barbara Martin is head cook in C. Lyndaker's lumber camp. Joseph Lehman moved his family to Beaver Falls last week where he is working in a pulp mill. Feb. 10, 1902 - Lots of business has been going on. About 1200 cords of pulp wood is being hauled from Jerdan to Carthage. The writer has about 100 cords of 3 ft. wood to haul to Beaver Falls. There is a great demand for teams this winter. The price paid is $2.50 per day and board. Andrew Steiner will work with the carpenter trade. May 25, 1902 - The Lowville Foundry is nearly completed. May 11, 1902 - There is plenty of carpenter work in town as they are replacing the buildings that were burned at the conflagration which destroyed nearly half of the town. Nov. 24, 1902 - John and Dan Sterie of Kirschnerville are having a pulp job. Other off farm jobs could be listed during the time the Croghan branch railroad was built.

Incidents and Plagues

Like all other communities, Lewis County had unusual incidents to report. Oct. 1, 1899 - We had the most extensive and disastrous fire ever experienced in Lewis Co., on the 19th (Sept.) the burning of the large steam lumber works of L. B. Basselin and Co. of Casterland. It consumed the entire mill property. The flames extended to and devoured the large piles of lumber crowded upon the mill yard. The mill was one of the largest of its kind in north central New York. The mill was valued at $50,000, the lumber at $125,000, total insurance, $100,000. April 27, 1900 - The Black River was flooded. One man got drowned who was trying to cross the water, it was so deep that the horse lost his footing, and the current took them into the river, nothing was seen of them since. Another man was fortunate enough to have a box on his wagon, it floated on the water and was rescued before the box was filled with water. July 14, 1900 - A heavy thunderstorm nearly every evening. A man three miles west lost 13 cows which were killed by a thunder bolt. Aug. 3, 1900 - There was a bad collision at Lowville on July 27. two locomotives were badly wrecked. The engineers and firemen saved themselves by jumping. Oct. 17, 1900 The barn of Christ Zehr of Belport which was destroyed by fire is now being rebuilt. May 4, 1902 - Croghan, our town had a fire which burned 21 business buildings, Catholic Church, school house, two saloons, one hotal, one hardware store, one dry goods store and other buildings. They plan to rebuild soon. Dec. 1, 1902 - On Sunday morning the house and barn of John Sauer was burned, caused by an explosion of a tantern. July 30, 1903 - Barney Swartz had a serious accident, his team ran away with the hay wagon. His adopted daughter was raking hay and could not get out of the way, the horses ran on the rake and smashed it all to pieces. The girl had a broken leg and a gash in her head. May 10, 1904 - Albert Saur had a narrow escape of drowning while on a log drive. He was under water about 5 minutes. Several hundred thousand feet of lumber went over him before the foreman got him out.

Feb. 4, 1900 - I have been reading so much about Smallpox in the Budget. Here I will give a recipe for the cure or prevention of it. One ounce of Cream of Tarter dissolved in boiling water, when cold drink at short intervals a small quantity. Dec. 26, 1900 - Measles are raging in this section. Outbreaks of Diphtheria are recorded in 1899.

Conclusion—Information gathered from personal interviews with residents having notes and stories of their grandfathers; "History of the Mennonites in Lewis Co., N. Y.," by Arletha Bender; "The Farney—Virkler—Zehr Family History," and Budget letters. For a complete history of the Lewis Co., N. Y. Amish settlement, as the best compiled in details book, we recommend "The History of the Mennonites in Lewis Co., N. Y.," by Arletha Zehr Bender.

Joseph F. Beiler

LEWIS COUNTY, NEW YORK

Continued from Last month

Christian Nafziger

Christian M. Nafziger was born in Germany in 1861, and was reared in a small village farm. In 1883 he was drafted into the German army. Being conscientiously objected to warfare as well as non-combatant service he sailed for America and arrived in New York when twenty-two years old. Having the address of a relative in Croghan, New York he made that his destination. Here he worked on the farm but soon made plans to move west to Kansas where a married sister lived. In the meantime his sister died and her husband with the remaining family moved back to Germany. After a short while Christian met his bride in Croghan and settled on a farm nearby. In 1895 he was ordained to the ministry and a year later to the office of bishop which he faithfully served to his end. He was a respected leader, was a gifted speaker and his talent to deliver the Gospel far surpassed his talent to reap material gains. His desire to provide spiritual needs for his herd outweighed his wish for economic prosperity. On their farm in the Croghan area they never prospered well. Around the turn of the century he sold his farm and moved about twelve miles southwest to north of Lowville. One note says that he was the first one to move west of Black River, but more followed him.

The severe splits the church had endured had now ceased. The church was not only growing but it was also spreading. Bishop Nafziger had a talent to contain his flock well. It was said of him to be strong in doctrine and moderate in discipline. He gave in to rapid changing practices more readily and in 1905 he approved a Sunday School movement. It was held in homes at first. In 1906 a tannery house was leased for the purpose, where Jacob Schrag was the first teacher.

By 1912 the congregation had grown to about 200, including children. Some people complained about crowded conditions at times of worship in their homes, one mother said she had baked twenty-five pies and they did not reach around. Following this a spirit was in the air to build a separate building for worship. In 1912 the first meeting house was built near Croghan. In 1913 a Baptist meeting house was purchased east of Lowville. They were now called the Amish Mennonite Church. In 1915 they affiliated with the Conservative Amish Mennonite Conference.

The Golden Years—The Gay Nineties

A local historian made the statement recently, that a new Amish colony must grow into the third generation to prove the stability of a settlement. Most leaders do not live to see this appropriate test of time. A long list of Amish communities in America could be named that never reached this stage of maturity, but those that did survive generally became well established.

By 1890 our Lewis County settlement had now well passed pioneer laboring and hardships as well as the organizing dilemma, a new era has now begun. The third generation was now maturing. The church ministry was now more stable, an air of contentment settled to the depth of the valley, a brotherly spirit was growing as the communal inhabitants were all looking unto the same direction—the future.

By now the invention era has emerged. The reaper and the binder have replaced hard manual field labor, the spinning wheel gave way to an easier way of life. Like these and many others the 1890's (often referred to as the "Gay Nineties") afforded to many a new look at life, but on the other hand this same period brought with it a panic, perhaps the most severe one of the century. Man was now paying for an easier life in return for a shattered economy. Like all other communities Lewis County was struck with the panic, however, it seems it endured the blow with lesser effects than the average. The lumbering business was still going strong, paper mills were built, new creameries were established, gold fields were opened in the outlying regions, and shortly after the turn of the century a branch railroad was extended into Groghan, the heart of our community. From Budget letters as early as 1894 we quote: "T. B. Baselin's sawmill is running in full blast;" another letter of an 1898 Budget scribe, "I wish more boys would come to Lewis County as help is scarce and farmers have to pay $25 per month for help." As early as Aug. 3, 1900 another letter quotes, "cutting hay and harvesting is on the go which is a good crop. Grain looks promising. Everything is booming, work is plenty and wages high. Lumbermen are paying from 35 to 40 dollars a month." But amid these material booms we also have records of a severe drouth in 1899, so that they had to haul water for their livestock until the spring of 1900, and in the late fall of 1901 a cloudburst is reported that flooded the streets, and the following spring heavy rains caused high rivers and streams to flood out bridges. In 1899

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PA. MAN KILLED ON TURNPIKE

Christian L. Beiler, 25, New Holland R1, Pa., died of chest injuries and a fractured spinal cord, Thursday evening, Feb. 20th, after being involved in an accident while riding in a truck traveling east on the Pennsylvania Turnpike about a mile east of Somerset. He and two other men were returning from Indiana with a load of wagon wheels. A westbound tractor-trailer lost a wheel on his truck. The wheel bounced into the eastbound lanes for about 48 feet and crashed into the windshield of the truck causing the driver, who was knocked unconscious by the impact, to lose control. The truck crashed through a guardrail and plunged over a 30-foot embankment, rolling over several times. Beiler was thrown from the rolling truck. (See obituary)

Also injured in the accident was Menno M. Stoltzfus, 28, Leola R1, Pa., who was also thrown from the truck and was hospitalized because of cuts and bruises. He returned home Tues., Feb. 25th, in fair condition.

ILLNESS FATAL TO PA. YOUTH

Dan J., 19, son of Jonathan C. and Lizzie M. (Hostetler) Byler, died from results of the flu and pleurisy. He had been hospitalized and seemingly well enough to go home the next day. During the night the nurses found his life had fled. He was born Dec. 8, 1955, and died Feb. 16, 1975 at the age of 19 yr., 2 mo., 8 days.

GUYS MILLS, PA. ACCIDENT

Linda, 15-year-old daughter of Ervin A. C. Miller, was hurt while playing Hide and Go Seek in the barn. When she was hiding beside one of the work horses and jumped up it scared the horse and she got under the horse's feet. She was taken to Meadville City Hospital, treated and xrayed but no broken bones were found but was bruised up pretty bad with a cut behind one ear which required some stitches. She was sent home the same evening.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Adams County, Indiana

Joe L. Schwartz, Geneva R1, was helping his father-in-law, Amos M. Schwartz, haul hay on a bob sled Tuesday, Feb. 11, when the horses got scared and ran off, throwing Joe to the frozen ground, breaking a wrist and cracking a hip. He spent several days in the Bluffton Clinic Hospital, but is at home again. He was just married two days before, on Feb. 9, to Tena Schwartz.

Jesse, age 10, of Monroe R1, son of Carl N. and Emma (Wickey) Schwartz, was helping his father haul manure Saturday, Feb. 22, when his father came up with his fork and accidently hit Jesse square in the eye with the fork prong. He was admitted to the Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, where they had to remove the eye by surgery.

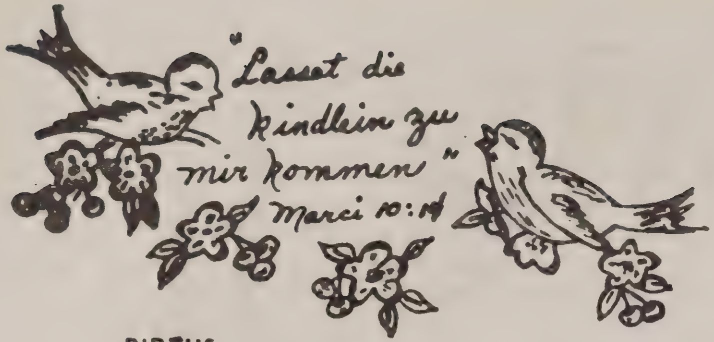
IOWA HOUSE FIRE

The big two story house of Pre. John Yutzy of Fairbank, Iowa burned down Feb. 7th. The cause of the fire which started in the attic is unknown. Most of the contents of the first floor were saved.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Partridge, Kansas

Leon Beachy is still laid up after having his foot hurt in a pony cart run away Feb. 1st. His brother Steven was also along when it happened but he jumped off. Leon's foot got caught, dragging him quite a distance. The top of his foot was cut to the bone.

Albert Yoders had an accident on the way home from church Feb. 9th, when they met two bicycles. The horse got scared and turned, upsetting the buggy. Albert had a cut in his face needing stitches. Saloma had a fractured pelvis and a broken nose. She stayed in the hospital overnight. They are getting along all right and still hope to see Florida sometime in March.



BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Jonas R. (Rebecca A. King) Gordonville R1 a son SAMUEL K., February 26

BLANK, Ephraim K. (Susie Esh) Bird-in-Hand R1 a son JOHN E., February 16

ESH, Benjamin H. (Katie S. Stoltzfus) Ronks R1 a son CHRISTIAN S., February 13

FISHER, Aaron L. (Susie L. Zook) Gordonville R1 a daughter LYDIA Z., February 20

FISHER, Benjamin B. (Melinda K. Beiler) Gordonville R1, a son LEVI M., February 3

FISHER, Gideon E. (Rebecca K. Esh) Ronks R1 a son DANIEL E., February 3

FISHER, Jacob M. (Sadie Esh) Gordonville R1 a son JOHN J., February 23

FISHER, John Z. (Mattie Zook) Kirkwood R1 a daughter FANNIE Z., February 19

GLICK, David K. (Lydia F. Esh) Quarryville R3 a daughter MARY E., February 25

HERSHBERGER, Christ B. (Annie Lapp) Ronks R1 a son JACOB, February 27

KAUFFMAN, Christian S. (Mattie King) Honey Brook a son STEPHEN K., February 24

KING, Alvin S. (Naomi S. Esh) Leola R1 a son ALVIN S. JR., February 26

KING, Aquilla (Sarah Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R2 a daughter ELSIE, February 3

KING, Benjamin R. (Lydia Beiler) Quarryville R3 a son JACOB B., February 17

KING, Daniel R. (Fannie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1 a daughter BARBARA, February 4

KING, David B. (Lena Stoltzfus) Gap R1 a son SAMUEL S., February 1

KING, David S. (Annie S. Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1 a daughter MALINDA, February 17

KING, Elmer S. (Verna Lapp) Gordonville R1 a son MELVIN, February 10

KING, Moses B. (Barbara Esh) 599 Lampeter Rd. Lancaster, a son MOSES, February 15

KING, Samuel S. (Fannie S. King) Gordonville R1 a son SAMUEL, February 23

LAPP, Aaron E. (Lizzie F. Blank) New Holland R1 a son ELI B., February 24

LAPP, Stephen K. (Anna S. Lapp) Kinzers R1 a daughter LINDA L., February 27

MILLER, Enos K. (Rebecca Fisher) Paradise R1 a son CHRISTIAN, February 17

SMUCKER, Amos K. (Barbara Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1, a son DANIEL E., February 15

STOLTZFUS, Amos K. (Rachel Beiler) Gap R1 a daughter CAROL JEAN, February 27

STOLTZFUS, Benjamin S. (Naomi Stoltzfus) Leola R1 a daughter MARY S., February 22

STOLTZFUS, David L. (Lydia King) Gordonville R1 a son MENNO, February 19

STOLTZFUS, Elam S. (Katie H. King) Kirkwood R1 a son HENRY K., February 8

STOLTZFUS, Enos K. (Sadie Mae King) Quarryville R3 a daughter ANNIE K., February 8

STOLTZFUS, Isaac S. (Marian M. Stoltzfus) 385 Willow Rd., Lancaster, a son JACOB S., February 11

STOLTZFUS, Jacob K. (Fannie S. Smucker) Christiana R1, a son ELI, February 19

STOLTZFUS, John F. (Rebecca K. Beiler) Bart a daughter EMMA B., February 13

STOLTZFUS, Samuel M. (Barbara S. Stoltzfus) Christiana R1, a son BENNIE, February 8

STOLTZFUS, Stephen (Edna Diener) Kinzers R1 a daughter, February 13

ZOOK, Elmer S. (Lizzie K. Blank) Drumore R1 a daughter RACHEL B., February 4

ZOOK, Ephraim (Sarah Blank) Lititz R4 a daughter LYDIA, February 11

ZOOK, John B. (Sara Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1 a daughter SADIE MARIE, February 22

ZOOK, Joshua (Lydia King) 352 Gridley Rd., Lancaster, a daughter SADIE, February 24

ZOOK, Reuben B. (Naomi S. Fisher) Kinzers R1 a daughter REBECCA E., February 24

Dover, Delaware

YODER, Roman L. (Sadie Mast) Hartly R1 a daughter RUTH, February 27

St. Mary's County, Maryland

KURTZ, Chris (Mollie Hostetler) Charlotte Hall a daughter SALOMA, February 3

STOLTZFUS, Sam J. (Lena Hertzler) Mechanicsville a son AMMON, February 21

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

LAPP, Jonathan G. (Mary Zook) Myerstown R2 a son LEVI Z., February 24

Snyder County, Pennsylvania

TROYER, Sam S (Ida Christner) Mt. Pleasant Mills a son SAM S., January 13

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Crist (Katie Peachey) Belleville a daughter CLARA, February 14

WENGERD, Daniel (Amelia Yoder) Belleville a daughter EMMA, February 17

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Centre County, Pennsylvania

FISHER, Melvin E. (Susan Troyer) a son MICHAEL, February 27

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

FISHER, Amos L. (Lydia Zook) Meyersdale a son ISAAC, February 16

HOCHSTETLER, David (Rebecca Hochstetler) Grantsville, Md., a daughter PHOEBE, February 27

KINSINGER, Daniel H. (Elizabeth Brenneman) Grantsville, Md., a daughter RUTH, February 22

Lawrence County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Andy J.. (Lizzie Byler) New Wilmington a son JACOB, February 4

BYLER, Jonathan S. (Lydia Hostetler) New Wilmington a son ANDY, January 19

BYLER, Jonathan W.. (Lydia Byler) New Wilmington a daughter ANNA, January 8

BYLER, Mose W. (Katie Byler) Volant a son WALLIE, January 20

BYLER, Sam A. (Katie Byler) New Wilmington a daughter MARGARET.. January 8

HOSTETLER, Eli E. (Anna Yoder) New Wilmington a daughter EMMA, February 17

KURTZ, Chris L.. (Lizzie Byler) New Wilmington a daughter ANNA, February 13

KURTZ, Chris R.. (Linda Byler) New Wilmington a son ANDY, February 23

MILLER, John N. (Mattie Shetler) New Castle a daughter BARBARA, January 21

SHETLER, Mose B., (Naomi Byler) Volant a daughter BARBARA, January 21

Geauga County, Ohio

BYLER, Atlee (Erma Troyer) a daughter, February 15

BYLER, William (Edna Hershberger) a son MARTIN, February 19

KURTZ, John (Sara Gingerich) a son CLARENCE, February 9

MILLER, Mose (Ada Kurtz) a daughter, February 19

MILLER, Uria (Lydia Byler) a daughter BARBARA, February 22

YODER, Lester (Martha Miller) a son, February 16

Holmes County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Alvin A. (Emma M. Raber) Millersburg R4, a daughter ERMA, February 4

HERSHBERGER, Robert (Iva M. Miller) Dundee R2 a son JACOB, January 27 (Correction)

MILLER, Jonas L. (Martha Burkholder) Millersburg R4 a daughter ROSANNA, February 6

MILLER, Levi D. (Anna M. Weaver) Millersburg, Star Route, a son IVAN, February 23

MILLER, Roy D. and wife a son OWEN, January 27

MILLER, Yost N. and wife, Millersburg, Star Route a daughter, February 10

RABER, Abe J. C. (Sara Yoder) Baltic, a son JOHN, February 12

RABER, Eli J. (Katie Miller) Baltic a son, February 4

RABER, Harvey P. (Esther Erb) Millersburg R5 a son, February 18

RABER, Sylvanas (Fannie Miller) Baltic R1 a son, February 8

SWARTZENTRUBER, Levi E. and wife, Fredericksburg, a daughter, February 9

WEAVER, Paul E. (Rebecca A. Yoder) Fredericksburg R2, a son WAYNE, February 3

WENGERD, Levi E. (Mary Ann Hershberger) Millersburg R5, a son ALLEN, February 3

YODER, Andy L. (Betty Troyer) Sugar Creek R1 a daughter, February 6

YODER, Eli D. (Fannie Yoder) Millersburg R3 a son VERNON, February 22

YODER, Jonas J. L. (Mabel Hershberger) Baltic a daughter ROSIE, February 14

YODER, Jonas M. C. (Mary Troyer) Baltic a son ELMER, February 14

YODER, Jonas M. C. (Mary Troyer) Baltic a son ELMER, February 14

YODER, Roy L. (Mary Yoder) Baltic a daughter SUSIE, February 3

YUTZY, Ivan M. (Edna M. Yoder) Millersburg, Star Route, a daughter SARAH ANN

Wayne County, Ohio

BURKHOLDER, Atlee E. (Lydiann Chupp) Apple Creek R2, a son, February 19

HERSHBERGER, Andy Jr. (Betty Schlabach) Fredericksburg R2, a daughter SARAHANN, February 19

MILLER, Christ A. (Esther Mast) Apple Creek R2 a son ANDY, February 13

MILLER, Roy E. (Sarah Yoder) Fredericksburg R2 a daughter EMMA, February 5

RABER, Eli A. (Bertha Miller) Apple Creek R2 a daughter BETTY, February 10

SCHLABACH, Joe J. (Irene Hochstetler) Apple Creek R2, a son DAN, January 28

WEAVER, Dan A. (Amanda Hershberger) Fredericksburg R2, a daughter ARIE, February 10

YODER, Eli J. (Mary Yoder) Big Prairie R1 a son WAYNE, February 14

YODER, Levi A. (Mattie Raber) Big Prairie R1 a daughter MARY, February 22

YODER, Levi M. (Edna Miller) Dundee R1 a son LEVI JR., February 8

YODER, Simon R. (Mabel Hershberger) Fredericksburg R2, a daughter SARAHANN, February 15

Orwell, Ohio

BYLER, Andy (Barbara Yoder) Orwell R1 a daughter KATHY, January

Ashland County, Ohio

MILLER, Sam (Esther Weaver) Greenwich R2 a son JOHN, February 20

Hicksville. Ohio

MULLET, Joe (Katie Eash) a daughter RUTH, January 20

Bronson, Michigan

SCHMUCKER, Ivan (Laura Bontrager) a stillborn daughter, February 16

BIRTHS, Continued

Centreville, Michigan

BONTRAGER, Pete (Alma Yoder) Sturgis a son JAMES, February 22

Camden, Michigan

DELAGRANGE, Jonas (Barbara Schwartz) Camden R2 a daughter BARBARA, January
EICHER, Jacob (Ruth Graber) Camden R2 a son HENRY, January 5
EICHER, Levi (Lavina Delagrange) Camden R2 a daughter MAGDELENA, February 27

Allen County, Indiana

LENGACHER, Joe (Mary Wagler) Grabill a son VICTOR, February 4
SCHWARTZ, Samuel (Martha Lengacher) New Haven a daughter MARIE, February 26

Adams County, Indiana

CHRISTNER, Cletus (Emma A. Schwartz) Geneva R2 a daughter ANNA, February 14
GRABER, David J. (Millie Lambright) Geneva R2 a son DANIEL, February 19
HILTY, Marvin L. (Martha Hilty) Berne R1 a daughter TREVA, February 16
HILTY, Menno J. (Elizabeth N. Schwartz) Monroe R1 a daughter WILMA, February 17
SCHWARTZ, Levi K. (Becky L. Wickey) Willshire R1 Ohio, a son JOHN, February 12
SCHWARTZ, Martin H. (Mary Graber) Geneva R2 a son ANDY, February 28
SCHWARTZ, Sylvan V. (Rosa K. Schwartz) Monroe R1 a son SYLVAN, February 6
WICKEY, Samuel E. (Mary I, Schwartz) Berne R1 a son, February 21

LaGrange County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Clarence R. (Alice Bontrager) Topeka R1, a son VERNON RAY, January 21
BONTRAGER, Ervin A. (Anna J. Yoder) LaGrange R1 a daughter WILMA E., February 22
BONTRAGER, John M. (Esther E. Miller) Topeka R2 a daughter LU ANN, January 30
BONTRAGER, Ora J. (Susan O. Hochstedler) La Grange R4, a son MARTIN O., January 24
FREY, Freeman J. (Wilma M. Lambright) Topeka R1 a daughter ARLOA F., January 28
FRY, Ervin H. (Barbara Frey) Topeka R2 a daughter LOU ETTA, February 3
LAMBRIGHT, Perry L. (Melinda Yoder) LaGrange R4 a daughter IDA MAE, February 15
LEHMAN, Ora D. (Lorene Miller) Middlebury R3 a daughter LORETTA, in February
MAST, Henry S. (Frieda Miller) Topeka R2 a daughter SARA SUE, in January
MILLER, David L. (Saraetta Hochstedler) Wolcottville R2, a son DANIEL D., February 15
MILLER, David M. (Mary Beachy) Topeka R1 a son MAHLON, in February
MILLER, Lloyd (Marianna Hochstedler) Shipshewana R1, a daughter RACHEL, in February
MILLER, Mose E. (Katie Bontrager) Shipshewana a daughter SUSAN KAY, February 19
NISSLEY, Leroy A. (Katie Yoder) Wolcottville R2 a son LEROY JR., January 25
SCHROCK, Marvin U. (Catherine J. Yoder) R2 a daughter ELIZABETH MAE, February 4
SCHROCK, Samuel (Martha Bontrager) LaGrange R4 a daughter LYDIA MAE, February 22
SCHWARTZ, Samuel (Betty Lambright) Shipshewana R2, a son CURTIS DEAN, February 14
YODER, Floyd (Anna Graber) Shipshewana R2 twins, CLETUS and EDITH, in February

Elkhart County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Melvin J. (Carolyn Bontrager) Shipshewana R2, a daughter ALICE, February 2
HOCHSTETLER, Casper J. (Wilma Bontrager) Shipshewana R1, a son, February 2
MILLER, Melvin P. (Martha Stutzman) Middlebury R3 twin sons, GARY and TERRY, February 18
MILLER, Mervin (Fannie Chupp) Goshen R1 a son HARLIN JAY, February 18
YODER, Leroy (Rosa Miller) Middlebury R3 a son VERLIN, January 30

Kosciusko County, Indiana

HOCHSTETLER, Glenn (Edna Mullet) Nappanee R2 a son CARL DEAN, February 10
MILLER, Eli (Edith Schwartz) Nappanee R4 a son, February 6
MILLER, Marlin (Sherry Hochstetler) Nappanee R3 a daughter AMY LYN, February 11

Kokomo, Indiana

HERSCHBERGER, Eugene (Edna Mae Miller) Amboy R1 a daughter MARCIA LOUISE, February 24
YODER, Ezra (Ella Gingerich) Amboy R1 a son VERNON, February 26

Arthur, Illinois

KAUFMAN, Kenneth (Anna Mast) a son RICHARD, February 5
STUTZMAN, Ervin (Sarah Plank) a daughter

Guthrie, Kentucky

GINGERICH, Samuel (Elua Glick) a daughter MARLENE, February 4

Partridge, Kansas

HEADINGS, Mervin (Treva Schrock) a daughter COLLEEN FAY, February 9

Reno County (Haven), Kansas

SCHROCK, Robert (Wilma Miller) a daughter WENDY, February 13
YODER, Glen David (Lydia Mae Bontrager) a daughter DOROTHY FERN, February 6

Mayes County, Oklahoma

MAST, Joe (Ella Yoder) a daughter LENA MAE, January 22
YODER, Lloyd (Esther Miller) a daughter LYDIA LORENE, December 26, 1974
YODER, Perry (Sylvia Gingerich) a son MARLIN EUGENE, January 10

Marshfield, Missouri
KAUFFMAN, Alvin, Jr. (Darlene Marner) Marshfield R1
a daughter LYDIA MAE, February 11

Pike County, Missouri
LEE, William (Barbara Eicher) Curryville
a daughter WINIFRED, February 7
MILLER, Levi (Lydia Borntrager) Curryville
a son VALENTINE, February 14

Jamesport, Missouri
BONTRAGER, Menno (Lydia Yoder)
a son DAVID, February 23
MAST, Joe (Mary Bontrager)
a daughter IRENE, February 24
ROPP, Tobie (Cora Miller)
a daughter ELSIE, February 14
YODER, David (Mattie Bontrager)
a daughter SARAH, February 13

Webster County, Missouri
SCHWARTZ, Amos N. (Mary Schwartz)
a son MENNO F., February 21
SCHWARTZ, Eli E. A. (Mandy Borkholder)
a daughter LIZZIE, February 12

Audrain County, Missouri
BEACHY, Elam D. (Mary Borntreger) Clark
a son DANIEL, February 3
GINGERICH, Andrew E. (Mary Miller) Clark
a son ANDREW JR., February 13
GINGERICH, Jakie E. (Mary Troyer) Clark
a daughter MILLIE, February 7
MILLER, Allen M. (Barbara Bontrager) Clark
a son MAHLON, February 22
MILLER, Perry J. (Ida Petersheim) Clark
a daughter MATTIE, February 27

Johnson County, Iowa
BONTRAGER, Wallace (Edna Miller)
a daughter LORENE GRACE, January 30
MILLER, Eldon (Nelda Bontrager)
a son DAVID, February 16
MILLER, Marvin (Frieda Miller)
a son IVAN GLEN, February 6
OVERHOLT, Joseph (Laura Miller)
a daughter WANETA, February 11

Bloomfield, Iowa
GINGERICH, Dewey (Katie Mae Yoder) Bloomfield R8
a son LLOYD, February 16

Buchanan County, Iowa
GINGERICH, Ed (Mary Kurtz) Independence
a daughter EMMA, February 14
RABER, Roman (Emma Hershberger) Fairbank
a son LEVI, February 3

Chetek, Wisconsin
BORNTRAGER, Tobias (Barbara Mast)
a daughter EDNA

Vernon County, Wisconsin
BORNTREGER, Phineas (Sadie Kauffman) Cashton
a son NOAH, February
MILLER, Reuben (Bertha Miller) Cashton
a daughter IDA, February

Medford, Wisconsin
MILLER, Joni (Bertha Schrock) Medford
a daughter SARAH, February 16

Wadena, Minnesota
MAST, John (Mary Miller
a daughter LAURA, February 20

Aylmer Ontario
WAGLER, Edwin (Catherine Wagler)
a son PAUL, February 27

Norwich, Ontario
SHETLER, Atlee J. (Anna N. Stutzman)
a son JOHN, February 6

Grey County, Ontario, Canada
HERSHBERGER, Emery (Mary Stutzman) Chesley R4
a son REUBEN, February 12
HERSHBERGER, Gideon (Elizabeth Yoder) Chesley R4
a son JACOB, February 20
YODER, Levi (Lydia Gingerich) Chadsworth R2
a daughter SARAH, February 14
YODER, Roman (Lydia Swartzentruber) Desboro R2
a daughter FANNIE, February 7

Milverton, Ontario, Canada
JANTZI, Solomon (Peggy Zehr)
a son SAMUEL, February 4

COMMUNITY NOTE – Nappanee, Indiana

Mary Esther, 5-year-old daughter of Raymond and Linda (Hochstetler) Slabaugh, was in the hospital for eleven days. Appendicitis was suspected but tests were all negative, so her illness was diagnosed as infection of bowels and lower intestines. But five days after entering the hospital tests were taken again since she wasn't responding to treatment and now they were positive, so she was operated on right away. The appendix was ruptured and the abscess had grown around the liver. Thirteen quarts of IV feeding kept her alive through her ordeal. She is now at home and getting along good.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Nappanee, Indiana

Bishop John L. Schwartz, 84, had a dizzy spell and fell while helping his son John Jr. in his buggy shop, breaking one of his legs just below the hip joint. He is at present in the Elkhart General Hospital where they put a pin in the bone. He is getting along good for a man his age.

Steven Mullet, 18, son of Deacon Steve Mullet of Leesburg R2, Ind., fell from a barn 26 feet high, landing in a sitting position on the frozen ground. He is also in the Elkhart General Hospital and was under intensive care. The doctors say his back seems almost like it was crushed. This happened on Friday, Feb. 21st, and he had his 18th birthday on the 22nd.

CORRECTION – The name of Aaron H. Glick was omitted in the lot when John E. Stoltzfus was ordained minister in South Spring Garden District. See 1974, Volume Six, page 226.

OBITUARIES

BARKMAN, Jacob P., 80, Sugarcreek R1, Ohio

died of complications Friday morning, Feb. 14, in his home following a four-day illness. Born in Geauga County, he was a son of the late Peter and Rachel (Yoder) Barkman. He is survived by his widow, Lizzie (Beachy) Barkman who is also in feeble condition; three sons, Eli of Baltic R1, Jacob of the home and Sam of Big Prairie; two daughters, Mrs. Eli J. (Susie) Mast of Fresno R3, and Mrs. Sam M. (Esther) Miller of Millersburg R2; a sister, Mrs. Mary Severence of Hicksville; 36 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a daughter, two brothers and one sister.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Feb. 16, at 9 a.m. in the home by Bishop Eli E. Hershberger. Burial was in Miller Cemetery in Clark Township.

BEACHY, Mrs. Lizzie I., 83, Sugarcreek R1, Ohio

wife of Dea. Simon J. Beachy, died Monday night, Feb. 10, in her home after a long illness. She was born at Bakersville to Isaac J. and Sarah (Kauffman) Miller. Surviving in addition to her husband are two daughters and three sons, Anna Mae of Sugarcreek R1, Mary Ann and Menno S. of the home, Ivan S. of Dundee R1, and Roman S. of Crossville, Tenn.; three sisters and three brothers, Mrs. Albert V. (Sarah) Erb of Sugarcreek R1, Mrs. Phineas (Lydia) Troyer of Baltic R1, Mrs. David (Anna) Barkman of Fresno R3, Menno I. and Moses I. of Kalona, Iowa, and Levi I. of Plain City; 21 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Two sisters are deceased.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Feb. 13, in the home by Bishop Clarence J. Yoder and Bishop Andy N. Troyer in the house, and by Noah J. Troyer and Ben J. Troyer in the shop. Burial was in the Nelson D. Yoder Cemetery.

BEILER, Christian L., 25, New Holland R1, Pa.

died Feb. 20th from injuries received in an accident on the Pennsylvania Turnpike (see front page). Born in Lancaster County, he was a son of Eli K. and Annie (Lapp) Beiler, New Holland R1. A carpenter, he was employed by Witmer's coach shop, New Holland R1. In addition to his parents, he is survived by his wife, Barbara (Beiler) Beiler; a daughter, Ruth Ann, at home; five sisters, Leah, wife of Elmer Fisher, and Rebecca, wife of John Beiler, both of Ronks R1; Ruth, Katie and Sadie, all of New Holland R1; two brothers, David and John, both of New Holland R1; paternal grandparents, David B. and Rebecca (King) Beiler, Lancaster, and maternal grandparents, John and Leah (King) Lapp, Leola R1.

Funeral services were held at the Eli K. Beiler home Monday, Feb. 24, at 11:30 a.m., by Jonas F. King and Bishop John L. Stoltzfus; hymn read by John E. Lapp; hymn at graveyard by Abner Glick; abschied by Samuel Lapp; burial in Myers Cemetery.

BONTRAGER, Infant, of Topeka, Indiana

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur L. Bontrager was stillborn at 4:45 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, in LaGrange County Hospital. Surviving with the parents are three sisters and one brother. Graveside services were held Monday, Dec. 23, in North Barren Cemetery. Bishop Leonard Miller officiated.

BONTRAGER, Lydia, 88, Middlebury R3, Indiana

died at her home Friday, Dec. 27, following an illness of several months. She was born Nov. 15, 1886, in LaGrange County and was a life-long resident here. She was married to Joe S. Bontrager in 1909. He preceded her in death in 1944. Surviving are five sons: Moses, Bristol, Reuben, Milo, and Ammon, all of Middlebury; one step-son, Samuel, of Kenton, Ohio; one step-daughter, Mrs. William J. Yoder, of Topeka; a brother, Manass Lehman of Topeka; two sisters, Mrs. Levi Mast and Mrs. Ben Raber, both of Topeka; 26 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday morning, Dec. 30, by Bishop Ervin Bontrager. Burial was in the Bontrager Cemetery.

BRENNEMAN, Eli G., 59, Salisbury R1, Pa.

died Feb. 18th of Cancer. Born April 24, 1915, he was a son of Gideon and Olive (Yoder) Brenneman. Surviving are his wife Sadie; five sons, Noah of North Bloomfield, Ohio, Ernest of Grantsville, Md., Henry of Salisbury, Pa., Leroy of Oakland, Md., Simon of Wyoming, Del., and Eli Jr. at home; two daughters, Mrs. Kore (Annie) Yoder of Meyersdale, Pa., and Lydia at home; 20 grandchildren, and two brothers, Simon and Alvin, both of Ashland, Ohio. He was a member of the Old Order Amish Church at Summit Mills. Funeral services and burial were held at the Niverton Church on February 22nd.

BYLER, Dan J., 19, New Wilmington, Pa.

died Feb. 16th from a severe case of flu and pleurisy (see front page). He was a son of Jonathan and Lizzie M. (Hostetler) Byler.

GLICK, John, 56, Topeka R1, Indiana

died Thursday morning, Jan. 39, at his home. He was born in Defiance, Ohio, Aug. 11, 1918, the son of Moses and Barbara Glick, and was married in Topeka Aug. 28, 1955, to Verna Yoder, who survives. Also surviving are his mother of Ligonier; four daughters, Elizabeth Glick at home, Katie and Mary Ellen Hershberger, both of Goshen, and Anna Hershberger of Florida; a son, Melvin Glick of Ligonier; three brothers, Milo of Fredericktown, Ohio, Dan of Ligonier and Andy of Elkhart, and three sisters, Mrs. Harvey Miller of Wakarusa, Mrs. Joseph Hostetler of Middlebury and Mrs. Abe Ramer of Jamesport, Missouri.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Feb. 2, at 1 p.m. at the John Helmuth home by Bishop Abe Mast and Elmer C. Miller; burial in Hawpatch Cemetery.

HERSHBERGER, Mrs. Mary J., 88, Apple Creek, O.

died Sunday, Feb. 16, in her home after a long illness. Born near Walnut Creek, she was a daughter of the late Isaac Y. and Katie (Miller) Miller. Her husband, John Hershberger, died in 1969. Surviving are a daughter and nine sons, Mrs. Ura (Susan) Weaver of Dundee R1, Daniel Hershberger of Dundee

R2, Albert and Sam of Tonesta, Pa., Henry and Isaac of Apple Creek R1, John of Ashland R1, Ohio, Monroe of New Philadelphia R2, Ammon of Orrville R3, and Jonas of the home; 56 grandchildren and 144 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, a daughter, five brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services were held Feb. 19 in the home by Bishop Roman Troyer. Burial was in the Hershberger Cemetery.

HOSTETLER, Pre. Joseph B., 68, New Wilmington, Pa.

died Feb. 2nd from results of a stroke. He had been hospitalized several days then confined to his home a few weeks when he got worse and died in the morning. He, along with his son-in-law were making preparations to move to a farm they bought. He was born May 22, 1906 and died at the age of 68 yr., 8 Mo., and 10 days. He leaves his wife, Mattie, two daughters and six sons, all married except one, the youngest son.

KANAGY, Infant, Mifflin County, Pa.

A stillborn son was born Feb. 3rd to Stephen and Lizzie (Yoder) Kanagy. Surviving are his parents and three brothers; grandparents are Noah Kanagys and Jonas D. Yoders.

LAPP, David S., 35, Gordonville R1, Pa.

died at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 14, in Leacock Township when he apparently collapsed while helping move furniture for his brother-in-law, David H. Beiler. He had a history of fainting spells. Born in Leacock Township, he was a son of David Y. and Ada M. (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Gordonville R1, and was the husband of Katie K. (King) Lapp. Surviving besides his widow and parents are the following children, all at home, Ada, Ivan, Mervin, Linda, Levi, and Kathryn; and the following brothers and sisters, Henry S., Gap R1; Sarah, wife of Joseph S. Stoltzfus, New Holland R1; Eli, Akron; Naomi, wife of Levi A. Esh, Ronks R1; Katie, wife of Amos Lapp Jr., Strasburg R1; Leon, Gap R1; and Rebecca, wife of David H. Beiler, Benuel S., and Lena, wife of Benuel King, all of Gordonville, R1.

Funeral services were held at the home Feb. 17th, by Samuel S. King and Bishop David Riehl; hymn "Gute Nacht Ihr Meine Lieben" read by Henry L. Stoltzfus; hymn 'Wer Weis Wie Nahe" read at graveyard by Eli S. King; abschied by Amos L. Lapp. Burial was in Myers Cemetery.

MILLER, Bishop Andy M., 74, Geauga Co., Ohio

died Friday a.m., Feb. 23, in Geauga Hospital of a heart attack. He leaves his wife, the former Nintie E. Bender, four sons and three daughters, James and Andrew Jr., Middlefield; Edward, Martinsburg, O.; Henry, Sarasota, Florida; Mrs. Melvin E. (Lydia) Miller, Middlefield; Mrs. John A. (Esther) Miller, Mount Perry, Ohio; and Mrs. Harvey (Catherine) Kauffman, El Salvador, Central America.

Funeral services were held at three houses, by Pre. David E. Miller, Bishop Eli J. M. Miller from Holmes County, Bishop John N. Detweiler, Bishop John H. Byler, Bishop Steve J. Yoder, Bishop Elmer A. Miller, and Bishop John U. Miller. Burial was in the Mesopotamia Cemetery.

SCHMIDT, Mrs. Lena, 85, Millbank, Ontario

died Feb. 14th in St. Mary's Hospital, Kitchener. She had been ailing for a long time with a heart condition. She was born Jan. 2, 1890, and in January of 1919 married Solomon Schmidt who died in February of 1958. She was a daughter of the late John G. and Mary (Schwartzentruber) Kuepfer. Five brothers died previously. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Aaron (Clara) Ebersol and Mrs. Joe (Nancy) Steckley; and three brothers, Allan, Eli and Ben.

Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 17, at her home in Millbank, by Levi Graber, a nephew from Allen County, Indiana, and Bishop Amos Schmucker from the same place. Burial was in seventh line of Wellesley Cemetery.

SHETLER, Mrs. Lovina (Hochstetler), 58, Iowa

died suddenly of an apparent heart attack Feb. 22nd. She was born in Somerset Co., Pa., March 19, 1916, and was married to Daniel J. Shetler Jan. 20, 1942 in Holmes County, Ohio. Surviving are her husband, five children, Mandy, Martha, Mrs. Melvin (Marie) Bontrager, and Jake, all of Kalona, and Daniel Jr. of Chicago, Ill.; one sister, Mrs. Ammon Miller of Centreville, Mich.; and one step brother, Benedict Kemp of Kalona. She was preceded in death by her parents, her step father, Pre. Samuel J. Kemp, one sister, four brothers and one step sister.

Funeral services were conducted at the home of Emil and Mary Ellen Gingerich, by Pre. Tobias Miller and Bishop Jonas J. Beachy. Burial was in the North Gingerich Cemetery. Pall bearers were Alvin S. Miller, Simon T. Miller, David Gingerich, Vernon Yoder, Glen Beachy, and Monroe C. Miller.

SWARTZENTRUBER, Noah P., 75, Apple Creek, O.

died Monday morning, Feb. 17, following a four-month illness, in the home of a brother, Menno, with whom he resided. Born in Holmes County, he was a life resident of the area. Surviving are two brothers and a sister.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Feb. 20, at 9 a.m. in the home of his brother, Menno, by Bishop Abe Yoder; burial in Benjamin Yoder Cemetery.

TROYER, Bishop Crist A., 61, Topeka R1, Ind.

died Wednesday night, February 5, at his home following an illness of one week. He was born in Holmes County, Ohio, April 7, 1913, a son of Andrew and Mary (Beachy) Troyer, and was married in Indiana Dec. 16, 1937, to Susie Yoder, who survives. Also surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Daniel (Mary) Schrock of Shipshewana, Mrs. Sam (Lydiann) Kauffman of Middlebury, and Fanny and Amanda, both at home; three sons, Eli of Topeka, and Andrew and Levi, both of Middlebury; 24 grandchildren; four brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 8, at 9:30 a.m. in the Troyer home by Amos Mast and Bishop Abe A. Yoder; burial in Yoder Cemetery.

OBITUARIES, Continued

YODER, Joseph I., 59, West Middlesex, Pa.
died from a heart attack. He had been ailing for some time with a heart condition. He was born Sept. 30, 1915, died Jan. 27, 1975 at the age of 59 yr., 3 mo., and 27 days. He leaves his wife, Katie, four sons and three daughters, all married. He was a farmer and in his later years had a shop, making different articles.

YODER, Pete E., 49, Grantsville, Maryland
died Feb. 18th at his home in Elk Lick Township of an apparent heart attack. Born March 15, 1925 in Dover, Delaware, he was a son of Iddo D. and Effie Yoder. Surviving are his wife, Effie; a son, Edwin, at home; five daughters, Mrs. Rhoda Summy and Mrs. Nancy Yoder, both of Grantsville, Md., Sarah, Mary and Barbara, at home; one grandson; and two sisters, Mrs. Pete A. (Dora) Yoder, Salisbury, Pa. and Mrs. C. A. (Mary) Yoder, Springs, Pa.

He was a member of the Old Order Amish Church at Niverton. Funeral services and burial were held there Friday, February 21st.

MARRIAGES

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

King, Stoltzfus – Isaac, son of David B. and the late Mary (Lapp) King, Christiana R1, to Emma, daughter of Amos L. and Ada (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2, December 5, 1974.

Beiler, Beiler – Widower Christian F. Beiler, Kinzers R1, to Sarah, daughter of Benjamin S. and Susie D. (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Ronks R1, Feb. 11, by Bishop John F. Glick.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Peight, Kanagy – Jacob, son of Samuel and Sarah (Swarey) Peight, to Nannie, daughter of Ezra D. and Lavina (Byler) Kanagy, Feb. 20, by Bishop Ezra Miller of Millersburg, Ohio.

Lawrence County, Pennsylvania

Shetler, Byler – Rudy B., son of Barbara (Yoder) and the late Ben L. Shetler, to Gertie, daughter of Abe V. and Sarah (Leslein) Byler, February 13th.

Byler, Hostetler – Eli L., son of Eli Y. and the late Leah (Kurtz) Byler, to Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob M. and Mary (Byler) Hostetler, February 19th.

Byler, Byler – Abe A., son of Abe Bylers of Sugar Grove, Pa., to Sally, daughter of John C. and Mary (Mast) Byler, February 20th.

Geauga County, Ohio

Mast, Miller – Andy, son of Noah J. and Mattie N. (Wengard) Mast, to Lydia, daughter of Milo J. and Lydia (Byler) Miller, Feb. 13, by Bishop Elmer A. Miller.

Holmes County, Ohio

Miller, Yoder – Henry, son of Eli B. and Mattie (Raber) Miller, to Ivy, daughter of Joe D. and Susie (Mast) Yoder, February 20th.

Orwell, Ohio

Wengerd, Bender – Ray, son of Levi Wengerds, to Sylvia, daughter of Reuben Benders, February 18th.

Centreville, Michigan

Kauffman, Yoder – Melvin, son of Raymond H. and Edna (Mast) Kauffman, to Martha L., daughter of Phineas B. and Wilma Yoder, Feb. 20, by Bishop Tobias L. Yoder.

Ashley, Indiana

Schwartz, Keim – Ruben Jr., son of Ruben E. Schwartzs, Ashley, to Esther, daughter of Dan and Amanda (Yoder) Keim, Ashley, Feb. 20, by Bishop Andy Weaver of Holmes County, Ohio.

Allen County, Indiana

Eicher, Schmucker – Paul, son of Noah and Mary (Schmucker) Eicher, to Naomi, daughter of Victor and Amy (Lengacher) Schmucker, Feb. 13, by Bishop John Graber.

Adams County, Indiana

Schwartz, Schwartz – Joe L., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake R. Schwartz, Monroe R1, to Tena, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos M. Schwartz, Geneva R1, Feb. 9.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Miller – Jerry, son of Freeman S. and Edna (Bontrager) Miller, to Elizabeth Ann, daughter of Ervin J. and Mary J. (Lambright) Miller, February 6th.

Miller, Yoder – Marvin, son of Rudy and Katie (Miller) Miller, to Erma, daughter of Tobe and Edna (Schrock) Yoder, February 27th.

Kokomo, Indiana

Otto, Miller – Marvin, son of Henry and Mary (Gingerich) Otto, to Mary, widow of Ray A. Miller, daughter of Noah and Emma (Thomas) Anderson, at the home of the groom, Feb. 27, by Bishop Lonnie Schlabach of Nappanee, Indiana.

Milroy, Indiana

Stutzman, Coblentz – Daniel, son of Emery and Fannie (Weaver) Stutzman, Milroy, to Christine, daughter of Christ and Sara Coblentz, Milroy, Feb. 20.

Arthur, Illinois

Helmuth, Herschberger – Christian, son of Abe and Anna (Schrock) Helmuth, to Dorothy, daughter of Eli E. and Ruby (Yoder) Herschberger, February 27.

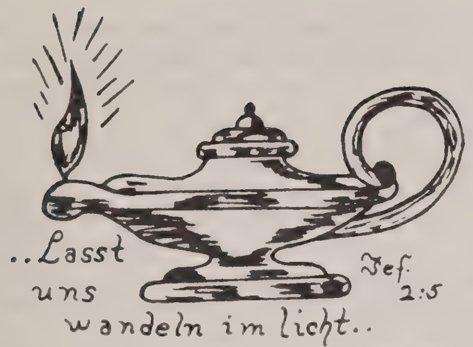
Audrain County, Missouri

Gingerich, Gingerich – Amos, son of Pre. David U. and Anna Gingerich, to Lydia, daughter of Dea. Chrissie and Ida Gingerich, Feb. 11, by Bishop John B. Mast.

Stutzman, Petersheim – Jacob, son of Mahlon and Millie Stutzman, to Anna, daughter of Bishop Benedict L. and Sarah Petersheim, February 27th.

Jamesport, Missouri

Coblentz, Schrock – Lavern Coblentz of Canada, to Ruby, daughter of Christie and Edna (Helmuth) Schrock, February 27, by Bishop Dave Schrock of Haven, Kansas.



BAPTISMS

Holmes County, Ohio
Feb. 2, by Bishop Andy J. Mast
Sam, son of Joe J. and Anna (Troyer) Yoder
Anna, daughter of Eli H. and Elizabeth (Miller) Weaver
Feb. 23, by Bishop Albert Mast
Clara, dau. of Dea. Aden A. and Lydiann (Yoder) Yoder
Arlene, dau. of Ervin J. and Clara (Miller) Schrock
Bishop David E. Yoder District
Daniel, son of Alvin Gingerich
Owen, son of Dan M. Miller
Lee, son of Raymond Miller
Ruth, dau. of Raymond Miller
Abbie, dau. of Joe Beachy

LaGrange County, Indiana
In Abe Mast Honeyville District
by Bishop Abe Mast
Danny, son of David and Ola (Bontrager) Fry
Monroe, son of the late John and Anna (Yoder) Raber
Naomi, dau. of Enos and Arlene (Miller) Mast
Leah Fern, dau. of Henry and Nettie (Miller) Mast
Leonard Miller N. W.-Barrens District
Joe, son of Levi S. and Ida (Wingard) Schrock
Floyd, son of the late Pete and Miriam (Shetler) Barkman
Arlene, dau. of Harvey and Edna (Bontrager) Farmwald
Ervin D. Hochstetler District
Allen, son of Elmer and Katie (Eash) Bontrager
Sarah, dau. of Elmer and Katie (Eash) Bontrager
John D. Troyer – Shipshewana District
Ervin and Carol June Yoder Lambright
Amanda, dau. of John and Elizabeth (Miller) Knepp
by John Troyer

Elkhart County, Indiana
Feb. 2, in West Clinton District
Glen, son of Jacob W. and Anna (Schrock) Miller
Orpha, dau. of Albert and Katie (Miller) Stutzman
Feb. 23, in Northeast Clinton District
Floyd, son of William and Lydia (Miller) Chupp
Marvin, son of David J.B. and Katie (Yoder) Miller
Leroy, son of William and Lydia (Miller Chupp
Elsie, dau. of Dea. Ora and Ada (Graber) Nisley

Kokomo, Indiana
Feb. 9, by Bishop Uriah Mast
Harley, son of Bishop George and Emma (Yoder) Gingerich

Partridge, Kansas
by Bishop John Mast
Anna Jean, dau. of Dave Jones

AMISH CHURCH AID MEETING

January 22, 1975 – The Amish Church Aid Meeting was held at Levi J. Fisher's home, Bird-in-Hand R1. There were three counselors, the treasurer and 35 committee members present. The Treasurer reported he has financial statements printed from the last year, and now have 1750 paying members from forty districts including two districts from Juniata County, also reported there were 105 families helped with their hospital bills.

Christ Speicher was re-elected chairman for two years. The Treasurer asked for a helper with the records, so Leroy Esh, Gordonville, was voted in to help him.

Next meeting to be at the home of Levi S. Stoltzfus, Ronks, January 17, 1976.

Eli P. Miller, Secretary

MIGRATIONS

Joe Bylers, formerly Susie Yoder of Barrs Mills, are moving to the Barrs Mills area, to Deacon Levi L. Troyer's house trailer to help along with farming this summer.

George Gingerichs and Daniel D. Yoders of Kokomo, Indiana moved to Bloomfield, Iowa, Jan. 14.

Junior Hershbergers moved from Holmes County, Ohio to Milroy, Indiana, Feb. 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. Menno J. Yoder and family moved from New Glarus, Wis. to the Guys Mills area, Jan. 2.

Pre. Ruben E. Schwartz moved from Pleasant Lake, Ind. to Spartensburg, Pa., Feb. 21st.

John J. Bylers moved from Pleasant Lake, Ind. to Spartensburg, Pa., Feb. 27th.

Sam Schwartzs moved from Pleasant Lake, Ind. to Spartensburg, Pa., Feb. 27th.

Sam Hiltys moved from Berne, Ind. to Spartensburg, Pennsylvania, Feb. 21st.

Ruben Schwartzs Jr. moved from Pleasant Lake, Ind. to Spartensburg, Pa., Feb. 27th.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Arthur, Illinois

Chris Bontrager is improving in health and is able to go about some.

Chris Shrock, who apparently had a stroke a few weeks ago, is also improving.

Min. Jeff Kaufman, who fell and broke his hip Dec. 31st, is hardly holding his own.

Bishop Amos Otto's hands that were burned, are healing nicely but will take some time yet.

Daniel Schrock, whose hands were burned a year ago, had skin grafting a few weeks ago and also seems to have good success.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Hartville, Ohio

Melvin J. Coblentz was laid up nearly three weeks and thought he had the flu but the doctors seemed unable to help him anything so they took a blood test and discovered that he had poison in his system from a rat biting him a few weeks before he got sick. After being treated for poison he seemed to be getting better.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

February weather was generally mild, with a low temperature of 14 on the 13th. This was the lowest so far this winter. We had a 6 inch snow on Feb. 4, but it only lasted a day. Total rainfall for the month was 4 in. High temperature was 70 on the 24th. Farmer's work is mostly hauling manure and attending farm sales.

St Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

We had rain on February 1, 12, 17, 23, and 24; snow on the 2nd, 4th, and 5th, amounting to about 6 in. in all. Coldest for the month was 13 on the tenth. There is still some corn fodder to shred. We had a lot of rain this winter.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Bareville area had approximately 2 inches of rainfall and 10 inches of snow.

Market Report: Choice Fat Cattle, $36 to $40 Cwt.; Choice Feeder Cattle, $27 to $30 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, $39 to $43 Cwt.; 40 lb. Feeder Pigs, 78c to 80¢ lb.; Dairy Cows at New Holland, $450 to $700; Heavy Fowl, 20¢ lb.; Pullets, 55¢ lb.; Roasters, 44c lb.; Ducks, 31¢ lb.; Turkey Hens, 48c lb.; Large Eggs, 56¢ doz.; Potatoes, retail, 3.50 Cwt.; Corn, 3.95 Bu., $68 Ton; Wheat, 3.50 Bu.; Barley, 2.35 Bu.; Oats, 1.80 Bu.; Straw, $41 tp $47 Ton; Hay, $51 to $80 Ton.

by Ammon F. Fisher

February started in damp and cloudy with 40 degree temperature and was mostly damp with very good rains. We had a few days of sled riding and ice skating. Our biggest snow this winter came on the 12th, 5 to 8 inches. The last week in February farmers were spreading fertilizer and plowing. Men folks are busy attending frolics and farm sales, also butchering. We had good weather almost all winter to keep manure piles low.

Bradford County, Pennsylvania, by Clemens Nissley

The weather for February was mostly mild; no snow at present. The coldest for the month was 16 below on the tenth. Farmers are tapping maples and sugaring. We had a good run on Feb. 20 to 22, then it turned colder and didn't run much since. Hauling manure and cutting wood is the main work for this time of the year.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

We had mostly mild weather all winter, with only a few cold snaps in February. Wild geese were flying around all winter. A lot of farmers were plowing the last days of the month. We had about 2 inches of rain and 7 or 8 inches of snow for the month. Some farmers are complaining about low profits, but the way things sell at farm sales, somebody has money yet.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

The last week of February seemed very springlike. We had thunder and rain Sunday morning, Feb. 23. The evening of the 24th the frogs were croaking, but have not been heard since, as it has been cold enough to freeze during the night. Robins are back and groundhogs are out. Some crocuses are blooming. We had some blustery weather, with the strongest winds Feb. 26. February brought us some snow. We had rain Feb. 1, followed by snow on the third, and 15 above zero. Feb. 5, 6 inches snow; Feb. 12 sleet followed by 2 inches snow. Feb. 10 was the coldest with 5 above zero, and the temperature only reached 26 during the day. Feb. 17 and 18 was a warm, foggy period, which melted a lot of our snow. Men have been hauling manure, etc. Some clover seed has been sown and some plowing is done.

Franklin County, Pennsylvania, by Jacob Flaud

We had typical winter weather through the month of February, a lot of rain and some snow, cold and stormy. Temperature was down to zero on the tenth. Farmers are hauling manure. There is quite a lot of building going on in this area; several cage layer houses are going up this spring, several dairy barns, and a school house. There are a good many farm sales here in the Cumberland Valley.

Path Valley, Pennsylvania, by Daniel Beiler

February started in with about 4 inches snow. We had two more snows of 4 to 5 inches, which kept the ground covered until the 18th. We also had some warm weather, especially the last week and a half. Some very windy days this week helped to dry the mud left from rain and melting snow. Some plowing was done this month, also hauling manure. These sunny days make one think of sowing oats, but it is a little early yet.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam M. Troyer

The coldest we had in January was 8 below on the 21st, and in February it was 2 below on the tenth. January was somewhat dry. In February we had three snows, total a little over a foot. We had close to 2 inches rain. Geese were heard on Feb. 20.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Beiler

We had a lot of snow flurries and wind in February. The 12th we had six inches of snow. Feb. 23 and 24 it rained, which took about all the snow. Ground had been covered for about 6 weeks. The first two weeks it was cold, with 6 below zero one day. Farmers have been plowing this last week.

Centre County, Pa., by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

We had a lot of cold weather and some snow the first half of February. It was 15 below on the 10th. The most snow we had laying at one time this winter was 5 or 6 inches. It warmed up toward the end of the month and farmers were plowing the last few days. Milk is down in price from last year; also feed grains; hay and straw prices are about the same. Straw, $40 to $50 Ton; Hay, $40 to $60 Ton; Dairy Cows, $450 to $700. Demand and prices for machinery at sales remain strong.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

February came in with snow like a blizzard, but it didn't pile up. Feb. 5 we had 4 to 5 inches snow. We had ten very nice days. Feb. 12, another 6 inches of snow, some wind. Roads were nearly closed in some places. It was very cloudy and foggy from the 15th to 19th. Feb. 23-24 we had 1.5 in. rainfall. Highest temperature 60 on Feb. 24, but it soon got colder. Low was 2 on Feb. 10. Groundhog Day was nice and clear; if it was out it could have seen its shadow. On Feb. 9 groundhogs were seen in two different places. On Feb. 25 one was seen again, so apparently it did not go in and stay in for another six weeks.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Mary Kinsinger

February has been a month of ideal winter weather. We have had some snowy days and some quite windy. Not much snow was seen the last two weeks. We had some very nice springlike days. It was nice enough to give people the urge to start sugaring. Some have tapped their trees that have the early camps. Most of the flu has slowed down, at least some places.

Guys Mills, Pennsylvania, by Melvin D. Byler

Weather through February has been quite changeable. It was very cold the first part with coldest 16 below zero and about 8 inches of snow. The last part of Feb. was a lot warmer, up to 60, the highest for the month. Some plowing was done the last part of the month. Feed prices are slightly declining. Soybean meal is down to $7.65 cwt; shelled corn $6.25 cwt,; oats holding at $2 bu. Hay is quite high, anywhere from $35 to $60 per ton. Beef cows are still down around 18¢ to 20¢ per lb. Calves from 20¢ up to 55¢ for choice veal. Dairy cows are quite low, from $275 up to $500 for a good springer cow. Dairy heifers are around $250 to $375.

Lawrence County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Mose Byler

We had a good bit of snow in February, and a few of the coldest days this winter. The coldest was 10 below zero. Several sales of farm machinery and livestock were held. Some people are moving, and a new house is going up in this neighborhood. Families are having flu 5 or 6 at one time. It seems to reach all ages, and is a persistent type of flu. In 1974 we had no deaths in our community. So far we've had 3 in only 6 weeks of this year. Several had been hospitalized from the results of the flu.

By Phoebe Z. Byler

We had many snows during January and February, but none deep. February had colder temperatures than January, with some below zero readings about mid-February. Weather so far was more favorable to produce a fruit crop than some years. There were quite a few farm sales among the Amish. Urie J. Byler, Rudy J. Kurtz, Eli Y. Byler, and Dave Troyer all are turning over the farming operations to the younger generation.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania, by Dan J. Troyer

February had many cloudy days, more snow than any other month so far this winter, and also the coldest temperature of 16 below zero on the tenth, and some places 30 below. Some have opened their sugar camps and have had several good runs.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Fisher

The beginning of February was very nice weather. The ground was frozen, so some corn was picked those few days, and just in time as the rest of the month we either had snow on the ground or it was too soft. It snowed on about half the days of the month, several feet in all. Feb. 21 to 24 the temperature hovered between 50 and 60 degrees, making the folks busy who cook maple syrup. It was a very good run. We had a lot of rain over this time. Hauling manure, making firewood, and butchering is the work among some of the farmers. Price of sugar is coming down.

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

Feb. 10 we had a low of from 14 to 19 below zero, which was our coldest for this winter, but the wind was very calm that day. Other days we have had high winds, but not much snow all through February. Sugaring started the 20th and 21st, for those who were ready. Temperature was up in the 50's and 60's for about 4 days and not cold enough nights to check the flow much. It was one of the biggest runs I've ever seen for the first run, and syrup is high in price. The last few days it has been windy and cold with snow flurries although we have only a few inches at present.

by Mrs. Jerry E. Byler

We had a good sap run a week ago, but since it has been cold and have lots of snow. We had a few rainy days in February, but mostly snow and cold all month. We've had sledding several days at a time, but it never lasts long as the road grader pushes the snow off the road or adds slag on the road.

Stark County, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

The month of February was above average in temperature. The weather was quite nice the first ten days, then on the eighth we had six inches of snow. On the tenth we had our first zero weather; some places it was below zero. On the twelfth we had about five inches of snow again. From there on we really had nice weather for February. On the 24th we had around 3 inches of rain, causing high water in some places.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary Yoder

We had a lot of snow and rain in February. The tenth it was colder than we have had for a long time. It was 18 below zero with about six inches of snow. Feb. 22 it was very nice, up in the 60's. We had three inches of rain Feb. 22 to 24.

Orwell, Ohio, by Mrs. Albert Mast

The first part of February we had more snow, and the last two weeks a lot of rain. It was 15 below one morning. We had 30 degree weather a lot, but it seemed colder as it was quite windy. March is coming in like a lion, as it is snowing and blowing. Soybeans are down to $139 a ton. Other things are down a bit, too, except seeds and fertilizers.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

The coldest in February was 13 below zero, high around 60. We had quite a bit of snow the forepart of the month, heavy rains over one weekend, a snow blizzard Feb. 25, high winds on the 26th.

Eastern Holmes County, by Raymond S. Weaver

February had more snow, especially the first half of the month, some real pleasant days. The morning of the 14th was our coldest, close to zero. The last half of the month brought an abundance of rain, and also some snow.

Southeastern Holmes, by John L.. Yoder

Our February weather was not unusual for that month. We had some snow, but it only lasted several days at a time. Thermometer also hit the coldest for this winter, 19 below, but was of short duration. The next morning it registered 44 degrees warmer. The latter part of the month we had a wet spell with flooding at some places.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

February had a variety of nice winter weather. On the tenth it was from 15 to 20 below zero. The next morning it was 30 above. Some plowing was done. We had lots of rain the weekend of the 23rd. By Monday morning the creeks were overflowing. The local bus from Sugarcreek to Millersburg did not make the run on account of high water. Feb. 25 we had a real snow blizzard all day. We had nice sunshine the last few days, also some high winds but no damage. Hog markets seem to be steady, with beef slipping a little yet. We were in Missouri this winter and saw lots of cattle in the fields.

Western Holmes County, by Monroe A. Weaver

February was mostly mild, which was true all winter. We only had zero once. February 10 it was from 2 to 15 below, according to altitude. Average morning temp. 25.5. We had some snow when it was colder, which protected wheat and grass. The eastern states draft horse sale at Columbus, Ohio, on February 5, was well attended. 175 registered horses averaged $1261; a 6 year old Belgian stallion was the top animal at $7100; a 3½ year old Perch. stallion brought $6000; a four year old team of grade geldings brought $7400; a four year old team of reg. mares $7200; and a five year old team of mares $6600. Also 75 grades sold at about the same average. The feeder pig and feed prices have done a lot of shifting around since fall. Corn was $7 cwt; pigs $15 last fall. Corn is $5.25 cwt. and pigs $30 to $35 now. Many sows went to sausage last fall, pig population is down.

Utica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin E. Hershberger

February was rather cold, with a low of 21 below on the tenth and eleventh. The high was 65 on the 23rd. The rainfall for the month was 5.7 in. Beef prices are still really low. Calves sell between $15 and $25 for 2-3 day old calves. Robins are showing now and then. Some corn is not picked yet, due to wet, and not frozen hard enough to get in fields.

Ashland, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

February had lots of high winds and snow. Temperature ranged from 10 to 50 degrees throughout the month. Maple syrup season is here again and we had one good run so far.

Hicksville, Ohio, by David Raber

This winter has been quite mild. February was a month of very little cold or snow, but we had a lot of rain. This has made the wheat look really brown. Corn at the elevator is $2.58; beans $5; wheat $3.50; and oats $1.65. On Feb. 10 we had 13 below zero, which was the coldest this winter, but warmed up soon.

Mio, Michigan, Oscoda Co., by Melvin Gingerich

Weather for February was mild with exception of the 16th when we had from 10 to 20 below zero. We have about 6 to 8 inches of snow at the present time. So far this winter we have had less than average snowfall.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

This was our coldest month so far this winter. The ground was frozen very little, as we had some covering of snow when it was cold, but no heavy snows. The coldest we had was 8 below zero. We had rain two different times, making icy roads. Farmers are being pinched with high taxes, high overhead, and low income. Many farms are being put up for sale. Last fall corn was selling for $3.50 bu., and many people decided to hold it till after New Year's till prices go up. Instead the reverse happened, and farmers are wondering if ends meet when it is sold. The livestock market took its worst plunge recently since the 30's. Lots of flu and severe sickness is in the area.

Centreville, Michigan, by Tobe L.. Yoder

February was coldest so far this winter. It was 10 below zero. We had about two inches rain the 17th. It was nice over the 20th, a nice wedding day, but we had wind, cold, and snow since.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

The last of February finds us with just a little snow in places along the fences. We had a low of 13 below on the tenth, a high of 48 on the 20th, rain and thunder on the 23rd, and snow flurries on the last three days. Weather is still not suitable for maple syrup. Very little frost is in the ground.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

February brought us some cold, snow, and wind. The coldest was 15 below on the tenth, but no wind that day.

Ashley, Indiana, by Mrs. Noah N. Eicher

January was cold with very little snow, enough to keep ground covered. The first part of January was warm enough that frost was out of the ground. The boys plowed all day Jan. 10. The ground was frozen again since. February had a lot of mornings below zero, from 12 to 15 below. We had a snowstorm the week of the tenth; most of it gone by the 21st. We had rain over the weekend of the 23rd, and warmer, up to 36. We had mostly cloudy days, not much sunshine.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

February weather was normal, except for one cold snap and one big rain. The cold snap came on the 10th when the mercury dipped to 12 below zero. The warmest day was the 23rd when the thermometer reached 52 degrees. Figures for the month are: High, 52 on the 23rd; Low, –12 on the 10th; Rainfall, 2.87 inches; Snow, 7.4 inches. There were 8 clear days, 10 partly cloudy, 10 cloudy, 5 rainy days, and one thunderstorm.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

We had some winter weather in February. The first few days it was nice. The 4th it snowed some and had some wind. It was warmer and nice the next week. We had a few snows, covering the ground. On the tenth the temperature was 10 to 15 below zero. We were glad it warmed up some; however, it didn't warm up very much. So many people are having flu, which is hard to get rid of, and keeping doctors and hospitals busy. We had some very nice winter days, but more rainfall than usual. It rained Feb. 23, and by the next morning water was standing in low places. Ditches are quite full and currents swift. It turned colder, in the 20's, and we had wind and snow flurries. Women are busy quilting. Some workers have been called back, while others are still laid off. Jobs are hard to find.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

February was mild and fair until the fifth it started to snow. It snowed most of that day and the next. The seventh it was zero and some wind. The tenth it was 10 to 18 below zero. By the 13th it was 20 and windy. On the 15th we had a freezing rain and very slick roads. Feb. 20-21 it was sunny and springlike, turning to rain again at 35 degrees. Hog prices were pretty high, but are coming down, and feed prices are coming down, too. Hay is being sold at $75 to $150 per ton.

Kosciusko County, Indiana, by Joni D. Gingerich

The weather has been nice and mild for February. The lowest reading was an even zero on the seventh, but it was windstill and didn't seem that cold. We had seven days that the temperature went above 40, the high being 46. We had three inches of snow, and ½ inch rain, only two days of all sunshine, and 11 cloudy days. We had lots of damp, chilly weather, and strong winds the 25th and 26th. Prices on farm products keep coming down. Potatoes are $1.50 for 50 lbs. Grain prices at the local elevator are: Soybeans $4.59; ear corn $2.27; shelled corn $2.37; wheat $3.12; oats $1.85. Top hogs $39.50; good dairy hay is bringing as much as $125 per ton.

Nappanee, by Mrs. Alvin E. Burkholder

February as a whole was a bit milder than usual, though there were several quite windy days which made it seem colder. On the ninth it was down to zero, and by the next morning it was 14 below. That was followed by thawing, rainy, cloudy weather. The month left with a cold, windy day. March came in more like a lion than a lamb. The farmers with sugar trees have started another busy season. Trees are all tapped. Beef prices are still low, while hay remains high. That price squeeze makes this a difficult winter for the farmers.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

February brought some very changeable weather. The rainy weather the first week brought snow the last of the week, and our coldest for this winter came Feb. 8 at 15 below. We had rain again with some very strong winds, later changing to snow, followed by more nice weather.

Milroy, Indiana, by John R. Yutzy

February was mostly mild. We had a low of 3 on the tenth, and a high of 57 on the 23rd. We had heavy rain of 4 inches the 22nd and 23rd. There was a lot of water in basements, and standing in the fields afterwards. We had 6.6 inches precipitation for the entire month. Last year we had 57 inches compared with our average yearly rainfall of 40 inches. We had ten nice days in February. Some plowing is being done when it is frozen a little in the mornings. Cattle prices are $36 top; hogs $40.50; corn $2.47; soybeans $4.80; wheat $3.40. Men folks are hauling manure and getting ready for spring field work. We had some days with strong winds.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

The weather in February was very mild, cloudy, and damp. The groundhog could see his shadow if he was out at the right time on Feb. 2. On Feb. 9 was our coldest day, 4 below zero, and a light skift of snow which did not last long. We had heavy rain on Feb. 20-21, which caused lots of water in basements, and ponds in fields. It is about all gone again. We had only 4 days of sunshine.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Rainfall has ceased somewhat and farmers were seen plowing, spreading fertilizer, and even sowing oats in the last few weeks. Seed corn is scarce, especially some varieties, ranging from $35 to $45 Bu. Fertilizer seems more plentiful but also high in price. Grain prices dropped sharply; Corn, 3.38; Beans, 4.65.

Reno County (Partridge), Kansas, by Edward Mast

We had real winter weather in February. The ground was frozen most of the month. We had 8 to 10 inches of snow Feb. 16, all coming with very little wind. Feb. 22 was a blizzard like day bringing only a light snow, but more drifts. Snow on the level is mostly melted by the end of the month, now being replaced by mud. No gardening was done in Feb. this year.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by E. E. Schrock

February brought us much cloudy and foggy weather the first part of the month. The ground hog did not see his shadow this year, in our community. On Feb. 16 we had an all-day snow storm, around 10 inches, but no wind. The fields are still covered with snow. We had another snow with high wind on Feb. 22, which blocked some roads. The coldest we had was zero on Feb. 19.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

February was mostly cloudy, only 8 or 9 days that the sun shone. Morning temperature ranged mostly from 20 to 32; the ninth it was 10 below zero, the only day in February below zero. We had rain the fourth, rain and snow the 15th and 16th, snow and a strong wind the 24th.

Anabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

We had all kinds of weather throughout the month, having freezing rain and snow Feb. 11th, 14th, 15th, and 16th. On the 16th we also had thunder and lightning. On the 22nd to 24th we had a real snow storm bringing from 12 to 16 inches of snow and also had wind which made snow drifts 6 to 8 feet high. Sunday night was the worst which stopped all traffic till Monday p.m. when roads were opened again. Some country roads were not opened. Public schools were closed the 24th and 25th. We also had some real nice sunshine before our storm and since. There is still a lot of snow on the ground. Our coldest for the month was 10 degrees below zero on the 9th and the warmest was 53 above on the 21st.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

February had 17 totally cloudy days, ground was frozen for a two week period, coldest was 12 below zero on the 9th. It was below zero only twice this winter. A big snow fell over the weekend of the 23rd. Some schools and business places were closed for three days, and some country roads were impassable for four days. Holstein cows sold for $225 to $300 each at a farm sale. Here and there you still see some husking and shredding to do.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

February has been a dreary month, with much cloudy and damp weather. It had dried off that I started some plowing on the 21st. By the 22nd it was raining and the 23rd we had about the biggest snow we have seen here. It snowed all day with steady wind from the west which drifted all north-south roads, They had most of the roads open by the 25th. Public schools had school again Wed., the 26th, but had a time getting around at some places. The weather has been nice the rest of the week and snow is mostly gone by now. It will take a bit of time before we get on ground again. There will be some moving in the neighborhood this spring. Sam Beachy's address changed from Marshfield to Route 2, Fair Grove, Mo.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

Lots of damp and cloudy weather in February, with now and then a light rain or snow. It went down to zero once or twice, then on the 23rd and 24th we had a heavy snow, 10 to 12 inches, with some wind. No mail for two days. Sunny days since, but it hasn't thawed much yet. The ground is frozen very little, fields seem wet.

Seymour, Webster Co., Mo., by Menno D. Schwartz

The weather has been more on the mild side with a few exceptions, we had a heavy snowstorm on Sunday, Feb. 23, giving us about 8 inches on the level. The weather report of Seymour was 12 inches, since it fell on very wet ground the first few inches melted. We had around 5 inches of rain the day before making a wet soggy bottom. Church was at the farthest place and horses had hard traveling. Some horses gave out. The snow all melted again the last week, February going out nice and March coming in like a lamb.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

Our winter weather has mostly come in February, as Sunday night, the 23rd, we had a real snow storm, which mostly went in drifts. No mail or milk trucks went by here till Wed. However, it wasn't so cold. Our coldest was around 15 below, two weeks ago, but it just lasted a day. It has really been a mild winter.

Bloomfield, Iowa, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

It snowed easily throughout February, but at times didn't last too long. Freezing and thawing periods caused a few roads under construction to be very muddy or rutty. Also some cold snaps from 13 to 25 below zero around the ninth. Last week was nice and sunny after quite a snow blizzard the 23rd and 24th. There was no school for two days. Farm sales are quite plentiful. Feeder pigs are getting higher. Rabbits are very plentiful; one family got fifty and canned them like chicken. They should have more garden vegetables this summer, whereas last summer they kept it clipped.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

February was a fair month, except a few stormy days. We had seven zero mornings. The coldest was 20 below on the ninth. We also had some real nice and sunny days.

Milton, Iowa, by Delbert R. Schmucker

January 1 was a beautiful day of sunshine, the first for a long time. On the 18th it was 50, then started to rain and got colder. By the next morning it was zero, and the next morning 10 below. We had a few inches of snow. Average temp. 25. February was a mild month. On the ninth it was 14 below and on the 20th a high of 54. The 16th we had some rain, then turned to snow. On the 23rd and 24th we had snow with high winds, making drifts and some impassable roads. One place you could not see the fence posts. Fat hogs 38¢ to 40¢; feeder pigs 60 lb. $38; soybeans down to $4.70; corn $2.40; oats $1.75; hay $1.00 to $1.80; feeder calves up a little; fat cattle steady.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

February was a nice winter month. We had our coldest for the winter on Feb. 9 with 22 below zero. We had a lot of snow. It is around 18 inches deep in the woods. We had two days of high wind with some snow the 24th and 25th, which caused a lot of high drifts. Some roads were closed for a day or so. Cattle were still cheap, calves from 15 to 25¢ per lb., cows from 10 to 20¢; hay from 80¢ to $1.25 per bale. Corn at $90 per ton; milk $6.55 for 3.5 test.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by Mrs. L. J.. Borntrager

February was a fair month. We had subzero weather several times. The coldest for the month was 25 below with little wind, on the ninth. It really warmed up with the sun shining. Snow, snow, and more snow, 20 inches on the level, the last of the month. On the 25th it snowed again and was windy, drifting roads. Some places were impassable for cars, but mailman and milk man went every day. The 28th was a very quiet morning, with the sun shining over the clean blanket of snow.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Moses S. Miller

Weather for February was mostly mild, although we had some sub zero weather. Feb.9 it was 35 below, followed by several mornings of 10 below. Feb.24 our first thunder was heard. On the 24 to 26 we had a snow storm. No mail for two days.

Chetek, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Henry J. Lehman

February had started in real nice and mild till the ninth it dropped to 29 below, which was the coldest for the season. Since it has been ranging from 10 above to 32 above. We had some very nice days and thawing lots of times. We have a nice layer of snow, but no snow fell since Feb.5. Prices of hay are about $1.50 a bale average. Beef prices and milk prices have gone up some again. Horses are very expensive. Hog prices are also some better. Sugar has dropped to $4.99 for ten pounds.

Vernon County, Wisconsin, by Joe C. Borntreger

The weather for January was quite mild, ranging from 32 above to 16 below. We have a layer of 8 or 10 inches of snow on the ground, also some ice since the tenth when it thawed and turned cold during the night. Milk is $6.52 for 3.5 test; hogs to 40¢ lb; cattle from 10¢ to 30¢; calves from 5¢ to 20¢.

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker Jr.

February was mostly fair. Our lowest was 30 below on the 9th, high was 42 degrees on the 15th. The 24th to the 26th we had snow storms. We had a total of 13 inches of snow for the month. Market Report: Milk, $6.55; Feeder Pigs, $31; Eggs, .53; Veal, top, .55; Butcher Cows, average, .18; Butcher Hogs, .39.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William M. Schrock, Sr.

February had a lot of nice weather, also windy at times. Feb.2 was cloudy all day; the ground hog did not see his shadow. We also had some real nice sunny days, and some below zero weather. A few times it snowed. There is just a little snow yet.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

February was a mild month with only several very cold mornings. The last week brought us snow and blizzardy weather. We had lots of rain during the month. Corn prices have dropped to $2.55 a bushel. Weaner pigs and fat hogs are higher while beef remains sluggish.

Aylmer, Ontario, by LeRoy Eicher

We had quite a bit of snow the first two weeks of February. The third week we had mild weather and the last week, rain. The last day we had snow and it was windy. Grain is coming down in price.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

We had some stormy weather, but storms only lasted a few hours. Then had rain and very springlike. The last week we had snow and stormy for two days. Roads were blocked for at least a day. Schools were closed, but not the Amish schools. There is not much snow on fields, just around buildings and on the roads, where it is drifting again tonight.

Grey County, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

February was not as cold as some years. Temp. from zero to 40 above, with some nice sunny days. We had enough snowfall ro make real good sleigh roads. Rain and lightning on Feb. 24 cleared the roads. Feb. 26 was a real stormy Canadian winter day. Roads are drifting shut. Farmers will be anxious to go to the sugar bush as soon as milder weather prevails. Feeder pigs are going up in price. Nine-ten week olds bring $40 to $45.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

The beginning of February was fairly cold with some snow. Towards the middle of the month it became milder and stayed that way most of the time. We didn't have much snow at a time and ground was about bare till this past week, then it snowed more again. Weather is colder and it seems like winter now.

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To be used for emergency calls only

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Isaac Fehr, 519-773-2860
William E. Fehr, 519-773-2858
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Grey County, Ontario
Mr. Morris, a local farmer, 519-363-5243
If no response during day call again after 5 p.m.

Ingersoll, Ontario
Werschoyle Market, 485-0109

Lakeside, Ontario
Frank's Cab, 284-1326

Lucknow, Ontario
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519-528-5850

Norwich, Ontario
Norwich Taxi, nights and to 8 a.m., c-o Alf. Deller,
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Tavistock, Ontario
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DELAWARE, Dover
Elva H. Beechy, 302-734-2668
Larmac Farm, 302-734-5056
Massey Farm, 302-734-2668

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St. Mary's Co. Amish, 301-884-3637, a pay phone close to an Amish home, can be heard but should be left to ring awhile.

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Elmer Trana, Wadena, 218-631-1249

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Harold Smikle, 417-465-3610

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very reliable farmer

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Jonas Hershberger, Fredericksburg, 216-695-2988
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Pallet Shop, Millersburg R2, 216-674-6080
Olin Schlabach, Millersburg, 216-674-2142
Schrock's Cabinet Shop, Millersburg, 216-893-1252
Junior Swartzentruber, Millersburg, 216-893-4766
Ivan J. Troyer, Millersburg, 216-674-7265
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Enos Mausts, 814-662-8618

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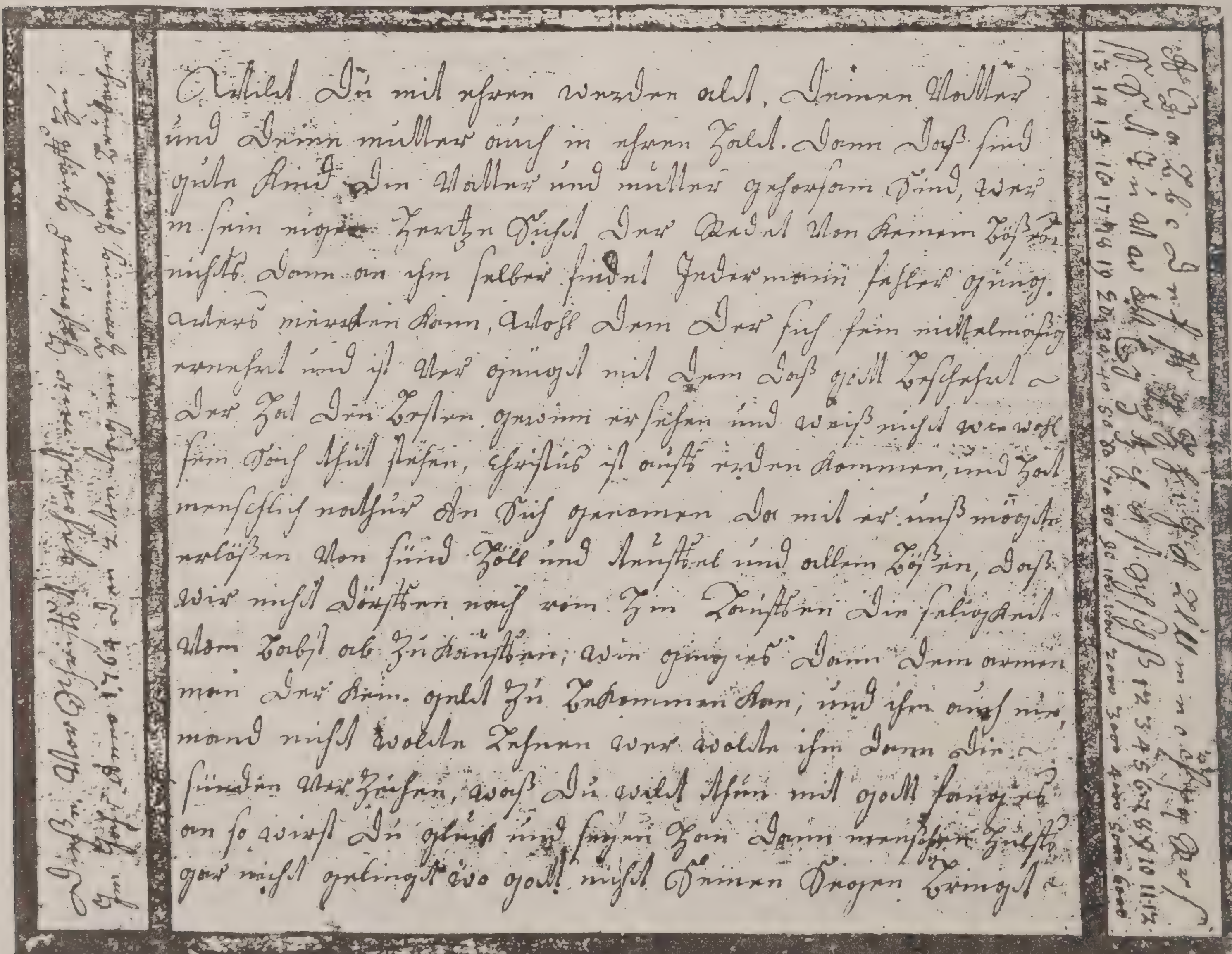
Here are a few suggestions given by our reporters regarding making telephone calls:

Whoever receives a message delivered by the person who has the phone should be willing to pay whoever brings the call, as this could be quite boring to the messenger in case he'd have to drive around quite a bit to deliver the call and wouldn't get any more out of it than maybe a thank you.

When you are making a call give your own name and location where you are calling from. If a child answers ask for a parent or older person. Tell the person you have a death message for: Name and address, ask if they will please deliver it as soon as possible. Give full name and address of person who died including name of husband or wife, if any. Tell when he died and give date and time of funeral. Tell who else is to be notified if several relatives live in that area. When completed ask the person to repeat the full message (this is very important) to check for any possible misunderstandings. There have been times when the person answering the call was not much concerned about it. Be sure they write it down. In some instances it is necessary to give a phone number so that the folks at the other end can call back. Do not ask the party taking the call to deliver it to many different folks unless you are well acquainted with the one taking the call. It is the job of the Amish folks to whom the call is directed to let others know.



Dieser Vorschrifft gehört mir Johannes grafs zu
Im Jahr Anno 1764 den 2ten Tag im Hornung, Jacob [illegible]

Wilst Du mit ehren werden alt, Deinen Vatter
und Deine mutter auch in ehren halt. Denn Das sind
gute Kind die Vatter und mutter gehorsam Sind, wer
in sein ~~nicht~~ hertzen Sucht der Tadel Von keinem böß[illegible]
nichts. Denn an ihm selber findet Jedermann fehler gnug.
andere meistern kann, Wohl dem der sich sein mittelmäßig
ernehrt und ist Vergnügt mit dem daß gott beschehrt ~
der hat den besten gewinn ersehen und weiß nicht wer wohl
sein Sach Still stehen, Christus ist auf erden kommen, und hat
menschlich natur an Sich genommen da mit er unß möchte
erlößen Von sünd höll und Teüffel und allem bößen, daß
wir nicht dörften noch vom ihm [illegible] die seligkeit
Vom Babst ab zu kauffen; wie gieng es dann dem armen
man der kein gelt zu bekommen kan; und ihm auch nie-
mand nicht wolte lehnen wer wolte ihm dann die ~
sünden Verzeihen, waß Du wilst thun mit gott fange es
an so wirst Du glück und segen han denn menschen hülfe
gar nicht gelingt wo gott nicht seinen Segen bringt ~

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IF we could see the joy of all the ransomed as in white robes they stand before the throne; if we could hear their praise of Christ the Saviour Who purchased them and claims them for His own;

IF we could listen as they tell with gladness that a home with Him outweighs all toil and care—would we think His cross so very hard to bear?

IF we could see the crowns of all the martyrs, their prize for Him, a diadem of worth; if we could hear them shout the song of victory, although defeat SEEMED their reward on earth;

IF we could see their look of exultation, so worthy they to suffer for His name—would we count it joy, for Him, to suffer shame?

IF we could see the face of our Redeemer, as on the throne He sits in majesty;

IF we could see the glory of the Savior Who one day died for us on Calvary;

IF we could feel the comfort of His presence—forevermore to dwell with Him above—would we let anything draw us from His love? Isa. 33:17

Frank L. Torry.

from "For the Older Folks" by Cyrus Osterhus

RIPENING FOR GLORY

The years have left thee but beauty to wear,
Growing old gracefully, gracefully fair.
Under full sail and the harbor in sight,
Growing old cheerfully, cheerful and bright,
Past all the islands that lured thee to rest,
Growing old peacefully, peaceful and blest.

Never a feeling of envy or sorrow
When the bright faces of children are seen,
Never a year from the young would you borrow,
For you remember what lieth between,
Rich in experience that angels might covet,
Growing old willingly, thankful, serene.

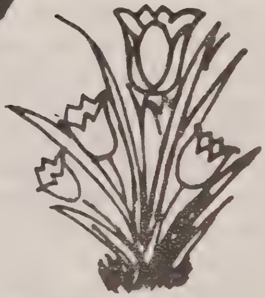
Growing old wealthy, loving and dear.
Rich in a FAITH that has grown with your years;
Rich in a LOVE that grew from, and above it,
Soothing your sorrows and hushing your fears.
"It is more blessed to give than to receive"
Growing old happily, ceasing to grieve.

Eyes that are dim to the earth and its glory
Have a sweet recompense youth cannot know;
Ears that grow dull to the world and its story,
Drink in the songs that from Paradise flow.
Growing old fracefully, purer than snow.

from "For The Older Folks" by Cyrus Osterhus

Dieſze Vorſchrift
gehöret mir Johannes Groff zu
Im Jahr Anno 1764
den 2ten tag im Hornung, Jacob Brubacher

Wilt du mit ehre werden alt,
Deinen Vatter und deine Mutter in ehren halt,
Dann daß ſind gute Kind,
Die Vatter und Mutter gehorſam ſind.
Wer in ſein eigen Hertze ſicht.
Der Redet von keinem Böſzes nichts.
Dann an ihm ſelber findet Jedermann
Fehler gnug, Wers merken kann.
Wohl Dem der ſich fein mittelmäßig ernehrt.
Und iſt vergnügt mit dem daß Gott beſcheret.
Der hat den beſten gewinn erſehen.
Und weiß nicht wie wohl ſein ſach thut ſtehen.
Chriſtus iſt auf erden kommen
Und hat menſchlich nathur an Sich genommen.
Damit er unß mägte erläßen
Von ſünd, Höll und Teufel und allem Bößen,
Daß Wir nicht dörfen nach rom hin Laufen
Die Seligkeit vom Babſt ab zu haufen.
Wie ging es dann dem armen Man
Der kein gebet zu bekommen kan
Und ihm auch Niemand nicht walte Lehnen
Wer wolte ihm dann die ſünden verzeihen.
Waß du wilt thun mit Gott, fang es an
So wirſt Du glück und ſegen han,
Dann menſchen Hülf gar nicht gelingt
Wo Gott nicht Seinen Segen bringt.



The Hour Glass

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE DR. HANS OR JOHN AND MAGDALENA BLANK FAMILY

By Amos L. Fisher

Continued from last month

(139) Catherine Hooley (62), married to Isaac Garver, the son of John and Catharine Garver of Lancaster County. Isaac and Catharine Garver moved to Juniata County where in the 1850 census records they had seven children: Catharine; John, or Jonathan; Michael; Frances and Eva, twins; David, and Solomon, being one year of age. It seems this family was affiliated with the Dunkard or Mennonite Church of Juniata County Except (140) Eva Gerver (139) came to Lancaster County and married to Jacob Stoltzfus, a son of Samuel and Susan (Beiler) Stoltzfus. They had a family of six children, namely, (141) Menno Stoltzfus (140), born in 1867, married to Anna Miller of Indiana. This family at one time lived at Croghan, New York and later moved to Mio, Michigan. Their oldest daughter, (142) Fannie (141), married to Aaron Jantzi; (143) Jacob Stoltzfus (141), married to Lydia Bontreger, daughter of the late Bishop Eli J. Bontreger of Indiana; (144) Elizabeth Stoltzfus (141), married to Emanuel Gerber; (145) Nickolas Stoltzfus (141), married to Lucille Lambright, they lived at Aylmer, Ontario, at present at Punxsutawney, Pa.; (146) Fannie Stoltzfus (139), married to Mannasses Slaubach, he is living at Dover, Delaware; (147) Michael Stoltzfus (139), the youngest of the family, lived at Bareville, Pa. and operated a coachmaker shop. His son, David, living at present in the White Horse section, is also a coachmaker and farmer.

Another daughter of Dr. Hans and Magdalena Blank was (148) Barbara Blank (1), married in Berks County to Joseph Garber. To them were born two children, (149) Barbara Garber (148), who died single in 1831 or 1832, and (150) Mary, or sometimes called Magdalena, Garber (148), who died March 28, 1863 at ninety some years of age, was married to John Yoder, born in 1758, a son of Strong Jacob Yoder of Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County. They had four children, namely, (151) Barbara Yoder (150), born in 1802, married to Samuel Blank, born July 23, 1788, a son of Bishop John Blank of Spring Garden; (152) Magdalena Yoder (150), married to Jacob Berkey, they were the great-grandparents of the present Deacon Aaron J. Stoltzfus of the White Horse district, some more of this family will appear at a later date; (153) Christena Yoder (150), married in 1837 to Daniel Hertzler, a son of Christian and Nancy (Zook) Hertzler, Christena died in 1843 without children, Daniel Hertzler then remarried to Barbara Mast; (154) Jacob Yoder Sr. (150), born in 1810, died Aug. 19, 1901, was married to Barbara Lapp, born March 17, 1820, died Jan. 20, 1892, a daughter of Isaac and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Lapp of Soudersburg, Pa. They had three children, John and Jacob Jr. of Lancaster City and Christian Yoder of Ronks. One of these descendants was the proprietor of the one time Yoder's Shoe Store of Lancaster.

Jacob Yoder Sr. and his wife, Barbara, lived in the village of Ronks at one time. He lacked somewhat in his mental ability and was listed as legally incompetent and not being able to provide for his own financial means. He would be seen walking the road peddling notions such as soap, shoe strings, etc. His last trustees were newly appointed in 1897, being David Beiler, Benjamin Beiler and John Beiler. Jacob Yoder and his wife, Barbara (Lapp) Yoder, are both buried in the cemetery at the United Brethren Church in the town of Intercourse, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

Barbara (Blank) Garver (148), after the death of her first husband, Joseph Garver, remarried to Christian Umble, the orphan boy that was brought along from Europe in the Dr. Hans Blank Family. To them were born three children: (155) John Umble (148), married to Mary, or sometimes called Polly, Kurtz of Manheim Twp., Lancaster County; (156) Henry Umble (148), married to Anna Stoltzfus, and Christian Umble, who was somewhat disabled and died single. There appeared in the July and August 1973 issues of "The Diary" a brief article of the Umble Family.

Another daughter of Dr. Hans and Magdalena Blank was (157) Magdalena Blank (1), born in 1751 in Berks Co., Pa., died Aug. 14, 1833, married to Christian Zug, born April 20, 1752. They both died in East Whiteland Twp., Chester Co., Pa. Both are buried in the old flat cemetery, also known as the Lapp Cemetery, in Chester Valley about two miles north of Malvern where there existed a large Amish settlement from 1768 to 1830. The inscriptions on the tombstones read: "Died 8th of October 1826, hear ruhen die gebenen von Chrestean Zug, seni gestorben in 75 yahr senas alters," her stone reads, "Died 14th August 1833, hear ruhen die gebenen von Magdalena Zug ahevaeb von Chrestean Zug seni gestorben in 82 yahr ihrs alters." To this union ten children were born in Berks and Chester Counties. The oldest was (158) John Zug (157), born Dec. 28, 1774, married to Elizabeth Kurtz, born Feb. 28, 1782, daughter of John and Veronica (Zug) Kurtz of Manheim Township. They moved from Chester County to Manheim Twp., Lancaster County. Their son, Jacob Zug, lived in West Earl Township and was engaged in the manufacturing of cloth and woolen goods. Their daughter, Magdalena Zug, married to John Yoder Jr., a grandson of Strong Jacob Yoder. They moved to Juniata County, where they died, and are buried near Port Royal in the Spruce Hill Cemetery. There seems to be none of this John Zug family affiliated with the Amish Church anymore.

(159) Christian Zug (157), born April 27, 1776, died in 1804, buried in the Lapp Cemetery, married to Magdalena Zug, born in 1780 in Chester County. No children were born to this union. She then re-

married to Joseph Schmucker, a son of John and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Schmucker, and moved to Ashland, Ohio, no children.

(159) Barbara Zug (157), born in 1787, married to Daniel Hertzler. They moved to Juniata Co., and Mifflin Co., Pa. Their son, John Hertzler, was the author of the old Hertzler History Book, and their daughter, Magdalena Hertzler, married Casper Swartzentruber and lived in Lancaster County.

(160) Magdalena Zug (157), born in 1779, married to Jacob Hertzler. They resided in Churchtown, Pennsylvania.

(161) Nancy Zug (157), born in 1781, married to Christian Hertzler, born in 1771. There is a very large offspring of this family living in the vicinity of Morgantown and in Mifflin County. To mention one is Silias Hertzler of Goshen, Indiana, the compiler of the new edition of the Hertzler History Book.

(162) Jacob Zug (157), married to Anna Summers, the daughter of Peter and Sarah (Yoder) Summers.

(163) Christena Zug (157), married to John Summers, son of the above mentioned Peter and Sarah (Yoder) Summers. A more complete lineage of the Summers Family will appear at a later date.

(164) Henry Zug (157), born March 18, 1794 in East Whiteland Twp., Chester County, married to Christena Kurtz, born Sept. 21, 1801 in Lancaster County, a daughter of Jacob and Nancy (Yoder) Kurtz. They resided in Chester County a few miles north of Malvern till March of 1834 when they moved to Binkley's Bridge, now called Zook's Corner, in East Lampeter Township. They were the last Amish family to leave the beautiful Chester Valley where for about seventy years existed a strong and prosperous Amish Church containing such names as Zook, Kauffman, Lapp, Rickenbach, Kurtz, Fisher and others.

To Henry and Christena Zook were born nine children, namely, (165) Jacob Zook (164), born Nov. 24, 1823 in Chester County, married to Lydia Mast, a daughter of Stephen and Hannah (Miller) Mast of Morgantown. They owned and occupied the old Zook farm at Zook's Corner. They had eight children of which there are still several grandchildren living, one being Rebecca (Beiler), widow of Amos F. Zook, also Elmer Z. Stoltzfus of Byerstown; Annie, wife of Amos L. Beiler of Cambridge, and Isaac Z. Smoker of Intercourse.

(166) Magdalena Zook (164), married to Jacob Troyer; (167) Anna Zook (164), married to John P. Mast, who was minister and bishop at Conestoga Mennonite Church; (168) Christian Zook (164), married to Susanna Stoltzfus, they were the grandparents of the late historian and writer, C. Z. Mast of Morgantown; (169) Christena Zook (164), married to Levi Mast of Morgantown; (170) Sarah Zook (164), married to Samuel Lantz, who was ordained to the ministry at Millwood Amish Mennonite Church after the split in 1877. Several years later he withdrew from the congregation with a small group and worshipped by themselves for several years then finally joined the Methodist Church.

The last child of Dr. Hans and Magdalena Blank was (172) Christena Blank (1), married to Jacob Yoder, a son of Strong Jacob Yoder of Caernarvon Township. Jacob and Christena Yoder lived in Salisbury Township between White Horse and Cambridge where he died in 1816 leaving five children, namely; (173) John Yoder (172), married to Elizabeth Kurtz, a daughter of John and Catharine Kurtz (the son of Deacon Johannes Kurtz of Upper Bern Twp.). John and Elizabeth Yoder moved with their family to Juniata Co., Pa., and from there to the Martin's Creek section in northern Holmes County, Ohio, however his son John, mentioned before in this article (No. 158), stayed and died in Juniata County.

(174) Jacob Yoder (172), married to Elizabeth Kurtz of Strasburg Township, born Feb. 13, 1788, a daughter of Abraham and Barbara (Ritter) Kurtz of Reading. They also moved to the Martins Creek section of northern Holmes County, Ohio. (175) Christian Yoder (172), a cutler by trade, married to Mary.

(176) Nichalos Yoder (172), married to Catharine Kurtz, born April 30, 1793, also a daughter of Abraham and Barbara (Ritter) Kurtz of Reading. They had eight or ten children born in Lancaster Co., Pa. and Holmes Co., Ohio. Tradition says that Nichalos Yoder's and Henry Beiler's moved together from Lancaster Co., Pa, to Holmes Co., Ohio in two covered wagons in a period of twenty days.

(177) Nancy Yoder (172), married to Jacob Kurtz, a son of John and Catharine (Kurtz) Kurtz. They had five children; namely, Christena Kurtz, married to Henry Zook (see No. 164 of this article); Christian Kurtz, married to Nancy Umble; Jacob Kurtz, married to Catharine Kurtz; Catharine Kurtz, married to Jacob Zook (see No. 158 of this article); Elizabeth, married to John Umble.

End of Dr. Hans Blank Family.

THE JOHN OR HANS AND MARY (EICHELMAN) BLANK FAMILY OF COCALICO TOWNSHIP

We will now commence with the John Blank Family of Cocalico Township. As far as is known to the writer they are entirely unrelated to the Dr. Hans Blank family of Salisbury Township, Lancaster County. If you study the passport of Christian Schmucker you will also find the name John Blank and wife Mary Eichelman and one son, originally from the Canton of Bern, Switzerland, landed at Philadelphia on Sept. 23, 1752. As far as is known, John Blank's first home in America was in Cocalico Twp., Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania, which was in the midst, or you should say within boundry limits, of the West Conestoga Amish Church. With this Blank Family we will again start with Family Number One.

To (1) John and Mary (Eichelman) Blank were born nine children of which we have record of only eight. In 1794 when John Blank of Cocalico Township died and the release of the estate was settled it mentions John Blank of Salisbury Twp., Lancaster County; Peter Blank of Caernarvon Twp., Berks County; Nicholas Blank, Michael Blank, Christian

Blank and Jacob Blank of Cocalico Twp.; Abraham Kurtz and Barbara Blank, his wife, and Bernhard Wolf and Maria Blank, his wife, both of Earl Twp., Lancaster County.

(2) John Blank Jr. (1), or later Bishop, seems to be the oldest in the family, born in 1751, married in about 1778 to Barbara Koenig, or King, a daughter of the immigrant Samuel King. Tradition says after their marriage they moved some twenty five or thirty miles south into Salisbury Twp. midway between White Horse and Gap, and later to Spring Garden. To them were born eight children. His wife Barbara died July 2, 1794, only eight days after the birth of her youngest son, Christian Blank. At her death several neighbors were ordered to dig a grave in the Blank Cemetery near Cains, a distance of about four miles, but in those days the science in preserving dead bodies was not in practice and the corpse of the wife of Bishop John Blank demanded a burial at nighttime so a grave was dug on the farm, which was the beginning of a new burial ground which is in use yet to this day.

Bishop John Blank then married his second wife, Barbara Yoder, born about 1763, died in 1837, a daughter of Strong Jacob and Anna Yoder. The children from the first wife are (3) Mary Blank (2), married to Jacob Stoltzfus; Anna Blank, married to Christian Stoltzfus; John Blank, married to Veronica, or Fannie, Lantz; Samuel Blank, married to Barbara Yoder; Barbara Blank, married to Christian Neuhouser; Elizabeth Blank, married to Christian Fisher; Christian Blank, married to Catherine Yoder. The children from his second marriage are Esther Blank, born Dec. 31, 1797, died single; Sarah Blank, married to Daniel Mast, and Daniel Blank, born in 1805, died single.

(2) John Blank (1) was ordained to the ministry in the Lower Pequea district in the eastern end of Lancaster County before or soon after 1800, and later his sons, John Blank and Samuel Blank, were ordained as ministers and his son, Christian Blank, as deacon. In the years from 1820 to after the death of Bishop John Blank in 1835 there was disunity in the church which may have been the cause of the migration into western states such as several Yoder families, and at least one Beiler family, into Holmes County, Ohio; several families into Juniata County and Mifflin County, and in 1837 seven families, and were later followed by more, into Union County, Pennsylvania. Also Jacob Lapp and his son, John Lapp, pushed across the Appalacian Mountains north across the New York state line in 1828 and settled in Erie County, New York about sixteen miles east of Buffalo. These movements may contribute to the cause of the disunity in the churches of Lancaster County at that time. From the time the first Amish arrived in Lancaster around 1800 or before it went till 1842 before the first church district was divided.

The oldest child of Bishop John Blank was (3) Mary Blank (2), born July 29, 1780, died Dec. 20, 1848, married to Jacob Stoltzfus, son of Bishop Christian and Catherine (Gerber) Stoltzfus. He died in 1810 leaving his wife and four small children, namely, (4) Barbara (3), Christian, John and Jacob.

(4) Barbara Stoltzfus (3), born in 1801, died in 1890, married to Michael Lapp, son of John and Mary (Rickenbach) Lapp. Their children are (5) Jacob Lapp (4), married to Elizabeth Beiler, daughter of Bishop David Beiler; (6) Rebecca Lapp (4), married to Eli Zook who was bishop of what we call the Upper Pequea district and a son of Bishop Long Christian Zook of Mifflin County; (7) Mary Lapp (4), married to Christian Beiler, they lived northwest of New Holland and were the grandparents of the late Bishop David B. Zook; (8) Barbara Lapp (4), married to Samuel Petersheim; (9) Sarah Lapp (4), married to Solomon Stoltzfus who died in 1897; (10) Leah Lapp (4), married to Abraham Petersheim; (11) Susan Lapp (4), married to John Berkey, they were grandparents of Deacon Aaron J. Stoltzfus of White Horse; (12) Elizabeth Lapp (4), married to Minister Benjamin Fisher, parents of the late Pre. John L. Fisher of Bird-in-Hand, Pennsylvania.

(13) Christian Stoltzfus (3), born in 1803, died in 1883 in Union Co., Pa., married to Susan Lantz, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (King) Lantz. Christian married his second wife, Lydia Beiler, in Union County, a daughter of Jacob and Lydia (Hertzler) Byler. This Christian Stoltzfus moved with his father-in-law, Samuel Lantz, in 1837 to Union Co., Pa. which is located near the center of the state. Here he was ordained to the office of deacon. By his two marriages he had seventeen children, of which several died in infancy and several single; (14) Maria Stoltzfus (13), married to Christian King who was ordained a minister in Union County and around 1880 moved to Lancaster County where he was ordained bishop and died in 1912; (15) Jacob Stoltzfus (13), born in 1829, died in 1885 in Union County, married to Anna King, born in 1829, died in 1917 in Lancaster County, there are some of their grandchildren still living in Lancaster County, namely, Aaron Stoltzfus of Mascot and Ammon Stoltzfus of Bird-in-Hand, Clarence Stoltzfus of Morgantown and Pre. Menno Simeon Stoltzfus of Parkesburg; (16) Magdalena Stoltzfus (13), born in 1832, died around 1883, is buried in the Millwood Cemetery, married to Jacob Swartz a son of Bishop Deacon Michael and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Swartz. Jacob Swartz and his wife, Magdalena Stoltzfus, were related being between first and second cousin. According to law and church regulations they would not have been permitted to marry which caused some disunity in the churches, therefore the Bishop Deacon Michael Swartz and his son Jacob moved to Union County which may have been one of the main factors for the disunity there. Jacob Swartz married his second wife, a widow Stuckie, and moved to Mifflin Co., Pa. where he died in 1913. They had several children, Susan Swartz, married to Henry Schmucker, they moved to Logan County, Ohio; Jacob Swartz Jr., married to Elizabeth Detweiler and moved to Detroit, Michigan; Isaac Swartz, married to Nancy Detweiler and moved to Norfolk, Virginia.

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send his photograph to the daughter of an Amish Mennonite bishop at West Liberty, Ohio. Not wishing to appear too old-fashioned to the young woman whom he wished to impress with his photograph, he borrowed a button coat when he sat for the picture. The photograph, still preserved, shows that the borrowed coat was several sizes too small, but it seems to have had the desired effect. In less than a year the young people were married. He too is still an active bishop in the Mennonite church.

Other examples of the difference in customs and church rules between East and West could be cited. Sleighbells were not permitted in parts of Pennsylvania. There was no rule against their use among Amish Mennonites in Logan and Champaign counties, Ohio, after 1880.

The organization of the Union county congregation, typically Amish, was that of a self-perpetuating congregational society, completely independent except that it sometimes called in a committee of bishops to assist in dealing with extraordinary cases of discipline and in electing and ordaining ministers. The presiding officer of the congregation was the "Voelliger Diener," the "minister with full powers." He alone had authority to perform such rites as baptism, communion, and marriage or to discipline members of the congregation. The title "Bishop," used in this article to designate the "Voelliger Diener" or the minister with complete authority, did not come into general use among Amish Mennonites until late in the nineteenth century. Next in rank to the Voelliger Diener was the "Diener zum Buch," the "Minister to the Book." He was authorized to preach and exhort. He assumed charge of the regular worship service in the absence of the "Voelliger Diener," but he could perform none of the rites of the church. Next in rank was the "Armendiener," "Minister of the poor," now called deacon. It was his duty to provide a place for holding the Sunday service, to administer the poor fund, to arbitrate difficulties between members of the congregation, and to initiate proceedings against violators of the rules and discipline.

Another officer, whose duties were not so clearly defined and varied somewhat in different congregations, was the "Voelliger Armendiener." He was in reality, as his name implies, an "Armendiener" ordained to perform the duties of a "Voelliger Diener" in that officer's absence. His election came about on this wise. When the bishop's office became vacant and a "Voelliger Diener" was to be elected, it was customary to include all the properly qualified "Diener" and the "Armendiener" in the lot. If the lot fell on the latter, he was ordained "Voelliger "Armendiener." The arrangement was often quite unsatisfactory. If the ministers were older and more gifted, the newly ordained "Voelliger Armendiener" might find himself quite without authority or influence beyond his office as "Armendiener." He was without real authority to preach and without such authority he could not even open a church service without being asked to do so by a minister or in the absence of the ministers. Some of the foremost leaders of the Amish Mennonite Church, however, were "Voelliger Armendiener" who, by their tact and eloquence, made a large place for themselves in the counsels and work of the Church. Such were Samuel Yoder of Mifflin county, Pennsylvania; John P. King of Logan county, Ohio; Eli Miller of Elkhart county, Indiana; Frederick Swartzendruber of Johnson county, Iowa, and others.

In the Union county, Pennsylvania, Amish congregation, in 1879, the "Voelliger Diener" was Elias Riehl; the "Diener zum Buch," Christian King and Andrew Miller; the "Armendiener," Christian Stoltzfus; and the "Voelliger-Armendiener," Michael Schwartz. Most of these were related by marriage: Riehl and Stoltzfus had married sisters, the daughters of Samuel Lantz, the pioneer. Schwartz was the husband of Barbara Stoltzfus, a relative of Christian Stoltzfus, and Schwartz' son Jacob had married Stoltzfus' daughter Magdalene; King was the husband of Stoltzfus' daughter Maria; Miller had married one of Riehl's younger sisters. Schwartz was without real authority. He had moved into the community after Stoltzfus was ordained deacon and Riehl, bishop. He was sometimes invited to preach but his gifts were not sufficiently outstanding to bring him into prominence. Yet his official position gave him an excuse for assuming a critical sttitude toward the young people and others whose conduct or attitude he wished to censure.

The Union county congregation never erected a meeting house. The deacon arranged with some family to "take the meeting" and announced the place of meeting two weeks in advance. The size of the barns and houses in this and other communities is to be explained, in part at least, by the necessity of providing room for the meeting and stable room for the horses. Only two families in the Union county congregation lived in houses too small to accommodate the meeting. The week she entertained the meeting was a busy one for the housewife. The whole house was cleaned and scrubbed and put to rights. The large out-door Dutch oven was fragrant with the twenty to thirty immense round loaves of home-made bread and scores of nicely browned half-moon dried apple pies. Benches must be provided. In one part of the settlement the deacon's enterprise had provided a set of benches used by himself and his sons and daughters, chiefly for church purposes. At the other end of the settlement the boys set out with a team and wagon on Saturday before meeting to borrow all the available household benches for use in the services. Since families were large and benches did week-day service for dining room chairs and for many other purposes, it was not difficult to gather a sufficient number among the neighbors to seat an entire congregation. To be continued

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1. Editor's note: Michael Swartz did not come to Lancaster County, he died in Ohio.

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THE AMISH MENNONITES OF UNION COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

John Umble

I. Social and Religious Life

In Union county, Pennsylvania, on the west side of the Susquehanna and about forty-five miles north of Harrisburg, Samuel Lantz of Leacock township, Lancaster county, and his sons-in-law founded an Amish settlement about 1837. The settlement is particularly interesting because even so late as 1880, it still had many of the characteristics of an Old Order Amish community although its bishop had been from the beginning of the Amish conference movement in 1862 associated with the more progressive group of Amish Mennonite leaders in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois. During the decade from 1870 to 1880 the organization, method of discipline, and community life seem to have differed but little from that of many of the more advanced Old Order Amish congregations at the present time. The wide diversity of opinion in the congregation on rules of discipline is indicated by the division of the leaders about 1880. When Preacher Christian King and Bishop-Deacon Michael Swartz moved from Union County to Lancaster county soon after 1880, they allied themselves with the most conservative group of Amish in that county.[1] The bishop of the Union county congregation, Elias Riehl, after being silenced and ex-communicated in 1880, allied himself with the Mennonite congregation in Juniata county. Two of the ministers, Andrew Miller and David Stoltzfus, with a large part of the congregation moved to Hartford, Kansas, in a body a few years later and became a moderately progressive Amish Mennonite community under the bishop oversight of Joseph Schlegel of Nebraska. Several families who had remained in Union county when the Kansas emigrants left, moved to Lancaster county during the next decade to unite with Old Order Amish congregations.

It is necessary to keep in mind the independent nature of Amish, and also Amish Mennonite, individual congregations. Like congregations of other denominations of the Baptist type they were always entirely separate and independent in the early days. For this reason it is important to discriminate between what was general and universal practice among the Amish and Amish Mennonites and what was local and specific as regards Union county. It is the purpose of this article to present the religious, economic, and sociological background of the Union county Amish Mennonite congregation. Their customs resembled those of other Amish and Amish Mennonite congregations in Ohio, Indiana, and Iowa, in general, but differed slightly in certain social practices and church regulations.

For instance, Deacon Christian Stoltzfus of Union county considered it obligatory for a Christian to vote for president of the United States, but he never took part in other elections. In Wayne county, Ohio, Amish Mennonite church members were not allowed to be candidates for office and voting was discouraged. In Holmes county, Ohio, on the other hand, many school board members were, and still are, Amish Mennonites. Nor was it at all unusual for a county commissioner or township trustee in Holmes county to be an Amish Mennonite. For many decades some of the Amish congregations that sprang up on the western frontier were slightly more liberal in their manners and customs than the older settlements in the East. Early in the eighties, the congregation of Bishop John Warye at West Liberty, Ohio, had relaxed somewhat in matters of dress. Men wore buttons on their clothes instead of the hooks and eyes required in Pennsylvania. A certain young man from Warye's congregation went to Pennsylvania to marry a young woman of a Lancaster county Amish Mennonite congregation. In accord with the demands of those times the bridegroom-to-be brought with him a letter signed by Bishop Warye stating that he was a member in good standing in Warye's congregation. Since buttons could not be worn by members in good standing in the Lancaster county congregation, an embarrassing situation arose. After much discussion and a threatened rupture among the ministry the young man consented to borrow a hook-and-eye coat to be worn for the wedding ceremony. He put on the coat, went to the services, was married in the borrowed coat, and immediately after services resumed his button coat. The young man is now a bishop in the Mennonite church.

An equally illuminating incident occurred a few years earlier. A Union county young man wished to

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COMMUNITY NOTES – Dover, Delaware

Mark, 6-year-old son of David A. and Millie Byler of Dover R2, was hit by a pickup truck while crossing Route 8 on his way to school Tuesday morning, March 11th. He was rushed to the hospital by ambulance with a broken leg, fractured ribs, ruptured spleen, injured kidney, one collapsed lung, and head injuries. He was operated on the same day to remove his spleen and was coming along well.

Crist, 9-year-old son of Jake C. and Verna Byler of Dover R2, was injured when a pony ran away. He was taken to the hospital with severe head injuries, and was getting better.

Anna, 71, wife of Noah D. Mast of Dover R5, was hospitalized with a hard stroke. She was in the hospital three weeks and was then being cared for at the home of her son Jake. Her condition was poorly.

ALLEN CO., INDIANA HOUSE FIRE

Amos and Susan Graber of Grabill R. R. had the misfortune of having fire in their house March 20th. Origin of the fire, which started in a closet and did quite a bit of damage, is still unknown. She discovered the blaze when she went to get something from the closet, and it burned her face.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Cashton, Wisconsin

Barbara, 16, daughter of Sam and Katie (Fisher) Miller, was admitted to the Lutheran Hospital in LaCrosse where an operation took place. They found a gastric ulcer on the back of her stomach, and removed about one third of her stomach.

John, 20, son of Menno Hochstetler, had the misfortune of letting a heavy flywheel fall on his third finger. He had to have it taken off below the second joint.

ETHRIDGE, TENN. ACCIDENT

Abe, 11-year-old son of Monroe E. Millers, was kicked when he moved in beside a horse by surprise. He received a broken leg, and was put in a body cast.

GEAUGA CO., OHIO HOUSE FIRE

On March 9th while John H. Weavers were in church their house caught fire at the chimney. Mrs. Wallace Miller was at home nearby and summoned the fire department who saved the house. Damage was estimated at $1000. A couch burned and a hole through the wall otherwise it was mostly smoke and heat damage.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Milroy, Indiana

John R. Yutzy had an operation for acute appendicitis March 22nd. He came home from the hospital the 26th and had his stitches removed the 31st. His wife was in the hospital at the same time with a newborn baby.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Holmes County, Ohio

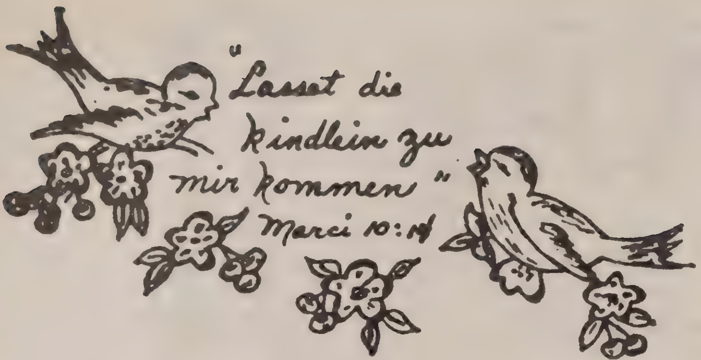
Ervin E. Yoder, Big Prairie R1, broke his leg, March 25th, while trying to turn a log at the sawmill. He is married and they have three children.

Alvin M. Mast was rushed to Millersburg Hospital by the Mt. Eaton Emergency squad with bleeding ulcers on April 2nd.

LANCASTER COUNTY, PA. ACCIDENTS

Amos S. Lapp Jr., 34, Strasburg R1, was severely cut by a circular saw while helping to build a barn at his father's farm near Strasburg Friday afternoon, March 7th. He was admitted to Lancaster General Hospital for treatment of severe lacerations of his right lower leg. The muscles and legiment were cut in to the bone between the knee and ankle. He has to have his leg in cast four or five months and the doctors can't promise anything till they take cast off to examine it. He gets around on crutches.

Abram K. and Sarah (Beiler) King of Gypsy Hill Road, Lancaster, and their newlyweds, Omar and Anna (Zook) King, were westbound on the Lincoln Highway when their wagon was hit from behind by a car with a drunken driver. The horse had to be killed. Anna was the only one that was injured, she received a broken ankle and gets around with a walking cast.



BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

ALLGYER, Amos B. (Lydia R. Smucker) Kinzers R1
a son REUBEN WAYNE, March 26
BEILER, Andrew H. (Naomi S. King) Bird-in-Hand R1
a daughter REBECCA K., March 26
BEILER, John F. (Leah Lapp) Kinzers R1
a son, March 4
BEILER, Samuel R. (Katie B. Beiler) Quarryville R2
a daughter LIZZIE RUTH, March 27
EBERSOL, Eli S. (Lydia K. Miller) Strasburg R1
a son JONAS M., March 4
ESCH, Elam M. Jr. (Mary Zook) 2210 Creek Hill Rd.
Lancaster, a son PAUL DAVID, March 24
ESH, Jonas S. (Mary L. Esh) Gordonville R1
a son LEROY E., March 30
ESH, Moses L. (Lizzie Lapp) Gordonville R1
a daughter REBECCA L., March 5
FISHER, Amos L. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1
a daughter FANNIE S., March 7
FISHER, David B. (Barbara S. Blank) Strasburg R1
a daughter SARAH B., March 24
FISHER, Elam H. (Suvilla Stoltzfus) Ronks R1
a daughter SALOMA RUTH, March 5
FISHER, Elmer S. (Katie E. Glick) Bird-in-Hand R1
a son ELMER S. JR., March 9
FISHER, Ephraim M. (Barbara B. Esh) Quarryville R3
a daughter FANNIE E., March 27
FISHER, Levi J. (Rachel S. Miller) Quarryville R3
a daughter RACHEL M., March 14
GLICK, (Elizabeth Beiler) New Holland R2
a son MERVIN B., March 6
KAUFFMAN, Benuel M. (Lydia F. Lapp) Honey Brook
a son LEVI L., March 25
KING, Eli R. (Mary Miller) Gordonville R1
a son CHRISTIAN M., March 5
KING, Jacob B. (Esther S. King) Honey Brook R1
a son BENUEL K., March 8
KING, Jonathan S. (Hannah Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a son GIDEON, March 10
LAPP, Daneil K. (Mary B. Lantz) Quarryville R1
a daughter ANNIE L., March 28
LAPP, Jesse K. (Barbara Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a son JESSE, March 9
LAPP, John K. (Sally Beiler) New Holland R1
a daughter ANNA F., March 4
MILLER, Christian K. (Anna M. Glick) Strasburg R1
a son JESSE K., March 9
PETERSHEIM, John S. (Sarah F. Lapp) Christiana R1
a daughter SUSIE L., March 26
SMUCKER, Benuel (Lavina Beiler) Narvon R1
a son DANIEL, March 30
SMUCKER, Moses (Susie Stoltzfus) Churchtown
a daughter RUTH, March 1
SMOKER, Jonas F. (Lydia L. Beiler) Gordonville R1
a son SAMUEL B., March 2
STOLTZFOOS, Benuel (Mary Fisher) Gordonville R1
a son SAMUEL F., March 10
STOLTZFUS, John D. (Mary E. Esh) Quarryville R3
a daughter EMMA M., March 8
STOLTZFUS, Levi F. (Mary R. Miller) Kirkwood R1
a son JOHN M., March 21
STOLTZFUS, Moses S. (Barbara E. King) Paradise R1
a daughter EMMA K., March 11
STOLTZFUS, Stephen (Edna Diener) Kinzers R1
a daughter RUTH, February 13
YODER, Benjamin S. (Leah S. King) 2008 Horseshoe
Rd., Lancaster, a son SAMUEL K., March 10

Dover, Delaware

MILLER, Wm. H. (Martha Ann Troyer) Dover R6
a daughter REBECCA, March 30
YODER, Noah J. (Elizabeth Byler) Dover R2
a son EDWARD, March 26

St. Mary's County, Maryland

HERTZLER, Andrew (Sarah Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville
a son ELIAS, March 28
SWAREY, Elam (Lizzie Hertzler) Charlotte Hall
a daughter NAOMI, March 10
YODER, John (Malinda Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville
a daughter LIZZIE, February 17

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

LANTZ, Leroy (Mamie Kauffman) Myerstown R2
a son SAMUEL, March 17

Path Valley, Pennsylvania

SWAREY, Jacob (Susie Stoltzfus)
a son JOHN, March 19

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a daughter REBECCA, March

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

PETERSHEIM, Valentine (Mollie Renno) Mifflintown R2
a daughter SALOME, March 6

Oakland, Maryland

NISSLEY, Vernon (Mary Yoder)
a son JONATHAN JAY, March 19
SWARTZENTRUBER, Daniel (Elma Petersheim)
a son DANIEL JAY, February 22

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

YODER, Crist C. (Lizzie A. Kinsinger) Grantsville, Md.
a son PETER EDWIN, March 16
YODER, Simon E. (Sadie Zook) Garrett
a son NOAH, March 12

Norfolk, New York

EICHER, Amos (Laura Bontrager) Norfolk R2
a son SAMUEL, February 26
EICHER, Josiah (Elizabeth Schwartz) Norfolk R1
a son NOAH J., February 24
SCHWARTZ, Mose (Catherine Eicher) Norfolk R1
a son JOSEPH, February 25

Geauga County, Ohio

MILLER, Albert J. (Sylvia Hershberger)
a son LESTER, March 17

Wayne County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Melvin (Esther Miller) Fredericksburg
a daughter MARY, March 1
MAST, Ben A. (Sovilla Yoder) Fredericksburg R2
a daughter KATIE, March 7
MAST, Henry (Barbara Miller) Dalton R2
a son HENRY, JR., February 23
MAST, Paul (Sara Miller) Apple Creek R2
a daughter MARY, February 25
MILLER, Roy (Sarah Stutzman) Big Prairie R1
a son , March 28
MILLER, Yost (Mary Raber) Big Prairie R1
a daughter AMANDA, March 24
WENGERD, Eli (Susie Hershberger) Apple Creek R2
a son WILLIAM, February 22
YODER, David (Mattie Miller) Apple Creek R2
twins LEROY & LYDIANN, March 18

Holmes County, Ohio

KAUFFMAN, Ray J. and wife, Millersburg R5
a son JOSEPH, March 19
KEIM, Jacob (Betty Troyer) Millersburg R5
a daughter SUSAN, March 13
KEIM, Roy (Mattie Miller)
a daughter MARY, February 20
MILLER, Dan (Fannie Burkholder) Millersburg R5
a daughter NIVA, March 12
MILLER, Joe M. (Emma Miller) Millersburg R3
a daughter SUSAN, March 10
RABER, Crist L. (Ida Yoder) Baltic R1
a daughter WILMA, March 13
RABER, Eli (Verna Kurtz) Millersburd R3
a daughter BETTY, February 18
SCHLABACH, Andy (Linda Miller) Berlin
a daughter CHERYL ANN, March 2
SCHLABACH, Dan and wife, Fredericksburg R1
a daughter, March 1
SCHLABACH, John, Jr. (Katie Miller) Baltic R1
a son LEROY, March 12
TROYER, Roy A. and wife, Millersburg R4
a son ROBERT, March 7
WEAVER, David (Verba Miller) Millersburg R5
a son ANDY, February 24
WEAVER, Ivan (Martha Miller) Millersburg R5
a son WAYNE, March 11
YODER, Aden (Amanda Raber) Baltic R1
a daughter ADA, March 13
YODER, Andy (Dena Miller) Sugarcreek R1
a son JACOB, March 18
YODER, Eli (Fannie Yoder) Millersburg R2
a son VERNON, February 23
YODER, Melvin (Amanda Mast) Millersburg R5
a daughter NETTIE, March 8
YODER, Roy (Edna Mast) Millersburg R5
a daughter ROSANNA, March 9

Hicksville, Ohio

STOLL, Joe (Rachel Graber)
a daughter NANCY JO, February 25

Camden, Michigan

GRABER, Ernie (Mary Schwartz) Camden R2
a daughter ROSA,

Branch County, Michigan

SCHWARTZ, Emanuel (Salome Eicher)
a daughter KATIE, February 8

Oscoda County, Michigan

BONTRAGER, Vernon (Lizzie Kuhns)
a son STEVEN, March 2
MILLER, John (Fannie Beachy)
a daughter ELIZABETH, March 30
YODER, Joe (Lizzie Hershberger)
a son MARK, March 15

Centreville, Michigan

HOSTETLER, LeRoy (Miriam Yoder) Centreville R1
a daughter ESTHER, March 6

Allen County, Indiana

BRANDENBERGER, Jacob (Catherine Graber) New Haven R1, a son MICHAEL, March 10
LENGACHER, Albert (Marie Eicher) Woodlawn R1
a son NOAH, March 10

Ashley, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Roman (Barbara Bontrager) Hudson
a son IRA, March 14
SCHWARTZ, Jacob (Kathryn Eicher) Hudson
a son JOSEPH, March 29

Koskiusko County, Indiana

HELMUTH, Merle (Nora Miller) Bremen R1
twins JEAN & JANE, March 27
HOCHSTETLER, Raymond (Rosemary Miller) Nappanee
a daughter on March 22

Elkhart County, Indiana
FRY, Clarence (Polly Anna Whetstone) Middlebury R3
a daughter MARILYN, March 22
HOCHSTETLER, Paul (Kathryn Troyer) Goshen R1
a son MICHAEL LYNN, March 5
MAST, Ora (Barbara Ann Glick) Middlebury R1
a daughter SUE ANN, February 27
MILLER, Sam (Ada Miller) Middlebury R1
a daughter LAVERA, March 17
YODER, David (Mary Ellen Wingard) Goshen R1
a daughter VELDA FERN, March 21

LaGrange County, Indiana
BONTRAGER, Elva (Frieda Schrock) Shipshewana R1
a son AMMON, March 6
BOWMAN, Dan (Polly Anna Miller) Shipshewana R1
a daughter MIRIAM, March 21
LAMBRIGHT, Freeman (Ada Troyer) LaGrange R2
a son DUANE, March 10
LAMBRIGHT, Harvey (Fannie Yoder) Topeka R2
a son LESTER, March 21
LEHMAN, Nelson (Esther Miller) Shipshewana R2
a son HOWARD LEE, March
MAST, Clarence (Edna Arlene Bontrager) Topeka R1
a son JOE DEAN, March 11
MILLER, Clarence (Lydia Frey) Wolcottville R1
a son IRVIN, March 1
MILLER, Harley (Esther Miller) Ligonier R3
a son, March 15
MILLER, Orley (Mary Schrock) Shipshewana R2
a ——— , March
SLABACH, Leroy and Nettie, Shipshewana R2
a daughter DOROTHY JEAN, March
TROYER, Perry (Erma Yoder) LaGrange R4
a daughter WANETA KAY, March 9
WEAVER, Levi (Lizzie Yoder) Topeka R1
a daughter MARILYNN ANN, March 7
WINGARD, Joe Jr. (Betty Bontrager) Shipshewana R2
a son MILAN, March 14
YODER, Alvin (Rosa Yoder) Wolcottville R3
a son ERVIN EUGENE, March 19
YODER, Freeman (Susie Miller) LaGrange R1
a son JACOB, March 21
YODER, Melvin (Polly Anna Mullet)
a son ERNEST, March 18

Milroy, Indiana
KEMP, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy, Milroy R1
a daughter LEAH, March 16
YUTZY, John (Edna Hostetler) Milroy R1
a daughter MARTHA, March 25

Arthur, Illinois
SCHROCK, Roger (Anna Mae Diener)
a son DELMAR, March 27

Guthrie, Kentucky
DETWEILER, Ray (Lizzie Kauffman) Guthrie, Ky.
a son DAVID EUGENE, March 4

Lawrence County, Tennessee
GINGERICH, Daniel U. (Annie Miller) Ethridge R2
a daughter ANNIE, March 10
HOSTETLER, Menno J. (Wilma Mast) Ethridge R2
a son JOE, March 11

Renno County, Kansas
SCHROCK, Robert (Velma Miller) (CORRECTION)
a daughter WENDY, February 13

Jamesport, Missouri
MAST, Elias (Sarah Detweiler)
a son TOBY, March 3
ROPP, Henry (Susie Kauffman)
a daughter LAURA, March 10

Audrain County, Missouri
GINGERICH, Ura C. (Barbara Miller) Clark
a son MENNO, March 21
GINGERICH, Ura D. (Mattie Petersheim) Clark
a daughter KATIE ANN, March 20
MULLET, Harley (Lydia Bontrager) Clark
a son ELI, January 28
YODER, Daniel (Sarah Miller) Clark
twins MELVIN & MARVIN, March 12

Pike County, Missouri
BURKHOLDER, Jacob (Sarah Mae Kemp) Curryville
a son JACOB, JR., March 27
YODER, Eli Jr. (Barbara Schwartz) Bowling Green
a daughter BARBARA, March 13

Buchanan County, Iowa
BONTRAGER, Edd (Anna Troyer) Hazleton
a son MOSE, February 26
GINGERICH, Edd (Mary Kurtz) Independence
a daughter EMMA, February 14
GINGERICH, Levi (Mary Ann Schmucker) Independence
a daughter, March 15
SHETLER, Levi (Elizabeth Helmuth) Independence
a daughter ADA, March 6
YODER, Eli (Ada Hershberger) Fairbank
a daughter IDA, March 12
YODER, William (Katie Miller) Independence
a son ENOS, March 22

Johnson County, Iowa
MILLER, Joseph (Rhoda Kauffman)
a daughter ELIZABETH, March 13

Milton, Iowa
HOSTETLER, Menno (Fannie Schrock)
a son MELVIN, February 24
MILLER, Andy (Mary Miller)
a son AMOS, in March
SCHROCK, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel
a daughter MARTHA

Cashton, Wisconsin
GINGERICH, Mahlon U. (Fannie J. Schmucker)
a son JACOB, February 6
HERSHBERGER, Melvin M. and Mattie
a daughter SYLVIA, February 12
HERSHBERGER, Menno C. (Barbara L. Miller)
a son CHESTER, February 19
MILLER, Sam (Katie Fisher)
a son ELI, March 25
SCHMUCKER, Menno J. (Emma Beachy)
a son EZRA, March 7
YODER, Vernon D. (Elizabeth J. Borntreger)
a son HARVEY, February 3

Medford, Wisconsin
LEE, Jacob (Fannie Mast) Medford
a daughter ANNA, March 24

Amherst, Wisconsin
YODER, Monroe (Susie Lehman) Amherst R2
a daughter ELSIE, March 20

Wadena, Minnesota
MAST, Andy (Barbara Borntreger)
a son AMMON, March 3

Mt. Elgin, Ontario, Canada
STUTZMAN, Perry (Mary Borntrager)
twins LESTER & LYDIANN, March 19
SWARTZ, Andy (Lydia Petersheim)
a daughter MARTHA, March 22

Norwich, Ontario
SHETLER, Elmer N. (Mary Shetler) Mt. Elgin R1
a daughter JEMIMA, March 2

Lucknow, Ontario
BYLER, Dan E. (Amelia Gingerich) Dungannon R1
a daughter ADA, March 26

COMMUNITY NOTES – Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Willie, 8-year-old son of Pre. Shem Swarey, came home from school sick March 17th. He had symptoms of appendiditis but the doctor said it was only flu. Two days later he had not improved and the doctor gave him medicine for his kidneys and orders to come back in 48 hours if not better. Then the doctor sent him to a kidney specialist who checked and xrayed him and sent him to the hospital for an appendix operation. They found a ruptured appendix. He was in the hospital over a week, then at home a week when he took sick again. He had great pain and again spent nearly a week in the hospital. They found a blocked bowel which was corrected without surgery. He is back in school again.

Mary, 16-year-old daughter of Joseph and Susie (Yoder) Detweiler, was injured when she fell down a straw hole in the barn March 15th. She had gone to the barn with her father to get down hay and straw. She opened the hole for her father and he soon noticed Mary wasn't there anymore. She landed on concrete. She was taken to Huntingdon Hospital then sent to Danville. She had a fractured skull, hip, wrist, and pelvis, and was in the hospital one week. They put her in a body cast and her one arm in cast to the elbow. She must be flat on her back for eight weeks. She has a hospital bed, eats and sleeps well, and seems cheerful.

Noah, 3-year-old son of Menno and Mary (Swarey) Kanagy, fell on the porch while at his grandparent's, cutting a gash above his right eye which required four stitches.

Joseph, 17-year-old son of Pre. Daniel L. and Fannie (Yoder) Peachey, was injured while sawing up a tree. The saw was through the tree sooner than expected and cut a deep gash in his knee which required 16 stitches. He was to stay off his foot and use crutches for a week.

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Ps. 109:105

BAPTISMS

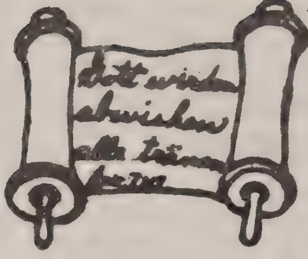
Holmes County, Ohio
March 23, by Bishop Jonas A. Keim
Ivan, son of Harry and Fannie (Miller) Weaver
Lizzie, dau. of Levi and Susie (Swartzentruber) Hochstetler

Branch County, Michigan
March 9, by Bishop Sam M. Schwartz
John, son of John and Margaret (Girod) Schwartz
Benjamin, son of Sam M. and Katie (Wengard) Schwartz
Elizabeth, dau. of Sam M. and Katie (Wengard) Schwartz
Effie, dau. of Noah and Barbara (Schwartz) Schwartz
Annie, dau. of Reuben S. and Annie (Schwartz) Girod

Allen County, Indiana
By Bishop John Graber
Mary, dau. of LaVerne and Irene (Delagrange) Steury
Mary, dau. of Menno and Leah (Graber) Zehr

Arthur, Illinois
March 2, by Bishop Steve Kaufman
In North Fairbanks District
Mary, dau. of Bishop Steve Kaufmans
Sarah, dau. of Sam H. Millers
Erma, dau. of Ervin C. Herschbergers
March 2,
At the home of John M. Stutzmans
Alva, son of Dea. Eli A. Millers
Merle, son of Sam J. Miller
Glen, son of Lewis F. Schlabaughs
Rache Fern, dau. of Ben A. Millers
March 2, by Bishop Cris E. Otto
At the home of Joe Hostetlers
Wilmer, son of Dea. Levi C. Ottos
February 23
Willard, son of Ervin Jess's
Verby, dau. of Ervin Jess's
Fannie, dau. of Eli D. Otto's
Betty, dau. of Fred J. Otto's
March 23
At the home of Dea. Lester L. Jess's
Dorothy, dau. of Rudy D. Otto's
Mary, dau. of Edwin J. Yoder's
Lela, dau. of Bishop William A. Mast's

Jamesport, Missouri
March 9, in West District
Mose, son of Melvin and Sarah (Schrock) Graber
Linda, dau. of William and Verna (Troyer) Hostetler
Laura, dau. of Menno and Ada (Schmucker) Hostetler
Velma, dau. of Laroy and Sara (Garver) Schrock
March 16, in East District
Abe, son of Levi and Emma (Kauffman) Yoder
Mary, dau. of Henry and Katie (Kurtz) Hostetler
Amanda, dau. of Levi and Helen (Schrock) Beechy
Verna, dau. of Neal and Emma (Kramer) Kauffman



OBITUARIES

ALLGYER, Esther M., 3, Gordonville R1, Pa.

was dead on arrival at Osteopathic Hospital at 5:40 p.m. Tuesday, March 4th. Death was due to respiratory difficulty. She was the daughter of Aaron E. and Malinda Mae (King) Allgyer. Surviving are the parents, two brothers, David and Abram, and one sister, Ruth, all at home; maternal grandparents, Abram S. and Esther (Fisher) King, Gordonville R1, and the paternal stepgrandmother, Mrs. Katie Esh, Ronks R1.

Funeral services were held by John Allgyer and Stephen Esh Jr.; hymn by Stephen E. Stoltzfus; burial in Gordonville Cemetery.

BEILER, Mrs. Anna Z., 84, Narvon R2, Pa.

died at 6:50 a.m. Wednesday, March 5, at her home. She had been under a physician's care, but was active up to the last day when she helped to quilt. She got up Wednesday morning and started to get dressed then apparently didn't feel good and crawled back into bed where she peacefully passed away about an hour later. Her age was 84 yr., 6 mo., 5 days. Born in Earl Township, she was a daughter of the late Samuel U. and Elizabeth (Zook) Stoltzfus. Surviving are her husband, Amos L. Beiler, and five children, Lydia, Leon, Elizabeth (Betty), wife of John K. Stoltzfus, Lloyd, and Norman, all of Narvon R2; 24 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; four stepgreat-grandchildren; and one brother, Elmer Z. Stoltzfus, Kinzers R1.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 7, at 11 a.m. by Pre. Samuel U. Fisher and Pre. Elam B. Stoltzfoos; hymn by Pre. Stephen K. Fisher; hymn at graveyard by Bishop Enos M. Beiler; abschied by Pre. Isaac Diener; burial in Stoltzfus Cemetery at Honey Brook. Pall bearers were four grandsons, Benjamin K. Beiler, Amos L. Beiler, Vernon Stoltzfus, and John K. Beiler.

COBLENTZ, Mrs. Fannie J., 69, Dundee R2, Ohio

died early Wednesday morning, March 19, in the residence after an extended illness. She was born May 8, 1905 in Holmes County to the late Joe J. and Susan (Gingerich) Miller. Surviving are her husband, Robert J. Coblentz; seven sons and three daughters, Levi R. of Dundee R2, Jonas, Joe and Raymond of Applecreek R2, Eli of Millersburg R5, Robert Jr. and Atlee of Millersburg Star Route, Mrs. Jacob A.M. (Anna) Miller and Mrs. Ivan M. (Ada) Weaver of Millersburg R5, and Mrs. Melvin (Mary) Miller Jr. of the home; 41 grandchildren; three brothers, Joe J. and Levi J. Miller of Dundee R1 and Jacob J. Miller of Millersburg Star Route; one half brother, Ezra Miller of Dundee R1; two sisters, Mrs. Abe J. Miller of Millersburg Star Route and Mrs. Levi N. Yoder of Millersburg R5; two half sisters, Mrs. M. E. Kline of Millersburg R5 and Mrs. Mose Keim of Fredericksburg R2. One son, one grandson, one great-grandchild and one half sister preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held in the home by Bishop Dan E. Schlabach and Min. Andy E. Yoder, and in the neighbor's home by Min. Dan M. Miller and Min. Andy A. Hershberger. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

EICHER, John, of Spencerville R1, Indiana

died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Menno Steury February 28th. He is survived by his wife, Catherine (Schwartz) Eicher, five sons, six daughters, and a few brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held March 3rd, by Pre. John Schwartz of Branch County, Michigan. Burial was in Amish Cemetery.

GINGERICH, Mrs. Dora, 69, Kokomo R4, Indiana

died March 13 at 11 p.m. in her home following an extended illness, at the age of 69 yr., 9 mo., 6 days. Born June 7, 1905 in Hubbard, Oregon, she was a daughter of Harvey M. and Jemima (Miller) Yoder. She was married October 11, 1923 to Abe Gingerich, who survives. She was a resident of Howard Township since her marriage. Surviving with her husband are three sons, Trenton Gingerich of Kokomo, Harvey Gingerich of Tipton R1, and Ivan A. Gingerich of Kokomo; a daughter, Mrs. Jerry (Edna) Mast of Kokomo; two brothers, Chancey Yoder of Macy, and Amzy Yoder of Kokomo; two sisters, Mrs. Abe (Sylvia) Bontrager of Middlebury, and Mrs. Andy (Wilma) Bontrager of Kokomo R4; nine grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 9:30 a.m. March 17, in her home, by Perry Yoder, Bishop Joe J. Yoder of Shipshewana, and Bishop Noah Hochstedler. Burial was in Christner Cemetery.

GLICK, Amos R., 88, 178 Geist Rd., Lancaster, Pa.

died at 11:25 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, at his home. He had a light stroke and died very peacefully four days later. Born in Upper Leacock Township, he was a son of the late John L. and Leah (Renno) Glick. He is survived by his widow, Fannie (Stoltzfus) Glick, at home, and the following children, Rachel, wife of Henry Zook, Lancaster; Leah, wife of Jonathan Lantz, Lebanon R1; Stephen S., Ronks R1; Malinda, wife of Abner Zook, Leola R1; Emma, wife of Samuel U. Stoltzfus, Strasburg R1; Annie, wife of Levi Lapp, Lebanon R1; Mary, wife of John Peachey, Embro, Ontario; John L., Bareville; Lizzie and Sylvia, both at home; 40 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; five step grandchildren, and six step great-grandchildren.

Short funeral services were held at the house by Elam Zook, hymn by Elam Esch; further services were held at the farm house by Moses Lapp and Amos U. Glick; hymn by Amos Lantz; hymn at graveyard by Israel Beiler; abschied by David Blank; burial in Myers Cemetery.

HERSHBERGER, Junior, 4, Dundee R2, Ohio
died Tuesday evening, March 11, in his residence. He had been ill since birth. Surviving besides his parents, Levi J. and Esther (Miller) Hershberger, are three sisters and three brothers, Amanda, Elsie, Laura, Ray, Dennis, and Ben, all of the home; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan N. Miller of Dundee R2; and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas S. Hershberger of Millersburg R2. He was preceded in death by one sister and one brother.

Funeral services were held March 13 at 1 p.m. in the Roman L. Miller residence, by Bishop Mahlon Hostetler. Burial was in the Weaver Cemetery.

HOCHSTETLER, Felty, 96, Nappanee R3, Indiana
died Sunday morning, March 23rd, at the home of a nephew, Ivan Hochstetlers, who were caring for him. He had been ill around six weeks. He was born January 12, 1879 in Holmes County, Ohio, a son of Isaac and Sarah (Miller) Hochstetler. June 18, 1901 he married Lizzie Schmucker, who preceded him in death April 25, 1971. Surviving are three sons, Elmer, West Farmington, Ohio, Harley, Millersburg, Ohio, and Rolen, Elkhart, Ind.; a foster daughter, Mrs. Andrew (Savilla) Hochstetler, Nappanee R3; one brother, Manas, Nappanee R2; two sisters, Mrs. Levi (Mattie) Bontrager, Sarasota, Fla., and Mrs. Fannie Miller, Goshen, Ind.; 24 grandchildren and 62 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 26, at the Mylo Hochstetler home, by Bishop Mose W. Yoder and Tobias Miller.

HOSTETLER, Mary Ann, 88, Topeka R1, Indiana
died Saturday night, March 8, in the LaGrange County Hospital. She was born in Nappanee July 29, 1886, a daughter of Joseph S. and Mary (Burkholder) Yoder. She was married in White Cloud, Mich., Jan. 29, 1905, to David V. Hostetler, who preceded her in death. Surviving are two sons, Ervin of Topeka R1 and Alvin of Goshen R6; a daughter, Mrs. Enos (Lizzie Ann) Chupp of Goshen R6; 23 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two brothers, Sylvanus Yoder of Sarasota, Fla., and Alvin Yoder of Bertha, Minn., and a sister, Mrs. John (Ella) Miller of New Paris.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 11, at 9:30 a.m. in the Amos Bontrager residence, by Pre. Amos Bontrager and Pre. Noah Miller. Burial was in the Townline Cemetery.

KUHNS, Tobias M., 70, Geauga County, Ohio
died of a heart attack, Wednesday morning, March 5, in Brentwood Hospital after being there two days. He had his first attack on a Saturday while working in the barn but didn't think it serious so didn't go to a doctor till Monday. His age was 70 yr., 5 mo., 16 days. Surviving is his wife, Mattie (Miller), four sons and four daughters.

Funeral services were held at John J. M. Millers and John H. Hershbergers, by Pre. Lester Yoder, Pre. Melvin M. Yoder, Pre. Uria J. Miller, and Bishop Andy C. Byler.

MILLER, Joseph F., 79, of Kalona, Iowa
died in his home Thursday, March 13, following a lengthy illness. Born near Kalona, March 28, 1895, he was a son of Joseph J. and Mary (Bender) Miller. He was married to Barbara Miller, October 10, 1916. Surviving are his wife; two adopted children, Mrs. Henry W. (Ada) Miller of Arcola, Ill., and Daniel W. of Kalona; 13 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and three brothers, Pre. Chris B., Dennis J., and Jake, all of Kalona. Preceding him in death were two sisters, Lizzie and Mrs. Maggie Miller, and three brothers, Sam, Elmer, and Ben M. Miller.

Funeral services were held March 16, at the home by Bishop Truman Miller and Sam Mast, and at the Emil and Mary Ellen Gingerich home by Bishop Glen Bender and Bishop Elmer T. Miller. Pall bearers were Eldon Ropp, Lloyd Ropp, Edwin Ropp, Norman Ropp, Solomon Yoder, and Emory Glen Gingerich. Burial was in the North Gingerich Cemetery.

SCHROCK, Mrs. Ada, 73, Millersburg R4, Ohio
died Saturday night, March 15, in Pomerene Memorial Hospital following an eight-month illness. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Dan J. and Sarah (Weaver) Miller. Her husband, Joe P. Schrock, died in 1972. Surviving are two daughters and a son, Bertha and Ervin J. of the home and Mrs. Simon R. J. (Katie) Miller of Fredericksburg R2; three sisters and three brothers, Mrs. Eli J. (Anna) Miller of R5, Joe D. of Star Route and Levi D. of R4, all of Millersburg, Mrs. John P. (Mattie) Troyer of Sugarcreek R2, Mrs. Dan B. (Katie) Kaufman of Dundee R2, and John D. of Wilmot R1, and nine grandchildren. A brother preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 19, at 9:30 a.m. in the home by Bishop Abe N. Miller. Burial was in Schrock Cemetery in Walnut Creek Twp.

SLABAUGH, Emanuel A., 62, Dalton R1, Ohio
died at his home Saturday morning, March 15th. He was a son of Andy N. and Lena (Brenneman) Slabaugh and was born November 7, 1912 at Kalona, Iowa. He had lived in the area since 1933. On December 22, 1936, he married Mary J. Hershberger who survives. Also surviving are five daughters, Mrs. John S. (Emma) Yoder of Homerville R1, Mrs. Sam J. (Lena) Hershberger of Navarre R2, Mrs. Abe D. (Anna) Yoder of Spencer R1, Lavina and Ada Slabaugh, both of the home; four sons, Jacob E. of Apple Creek R1, and Daniel, Crist and Andy, all of the home; 26 grandchildren; five sisters, Mrs. Dan (Lydia) Miller of Apple Creek R2, Mrs. Eli J. (Lizzie) Hershberger of Dalton R2, Mrs. Dan S. (Ida) Wengerd of Dalton R2, Mrs. Emanuel (Emma) Schrock of West Salem R3, and Mrs. Andy P. (Ada) Yoder of Dalton R2; and two brothers, Amos of Homerville and Chris of Apple Creek R1.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 18, at the home by Bishop Abe D. Yoder. Burial was in the Swartzentruber Cemetery in Paint Township.

STOLTZFUS, John E., 76, Christiana R1, Pa.

died unexpectedly Monday evening, March 17, at his home. He was in the washhouse preparing to go to the barn when he had a heart attack and died. They found him about 20 minutes later. Born in Caernarvon Township, he was a son of the late Samuel and Sarah (Esh) Stoltzfus. He had lived in the Christiana R1 area for the past 30 years. He is survived by his widow, Rebecca F. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus; five daughters and two sons, Annie, at home; Sarah, wife of Daniel King, Quarryville R3; Samuel U., Bloomsburg; Henry S., Christiana; Rachel, wife of Elam Lapp, Christiana; Rebecca, wife of Melvin Lapp, Paradise R1, and Arie, wife of Samuel Stoltzfoos, Christiana; 38 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and the following brothers and sisters, Samuel E., Gordonville R1; Stephen S., Kirkwood R1; Christian E., Christiana R1; Mary, wife of Jonas S. Fisher, Ronks R1; Mrs. Hannah Stoltzfus, Mechanicsville, Md.; Annie, wife of John L. Stoltzfus, Leola R1; Mattie, wife of Aaron Lapp, Kirkwood R1, and Mrs. Lizzie Lapp of Gap R1. He was ordained deacon in 1947.

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 20, at 9 a.m., by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp and Pre. John S. Fisher; hymn read by Dea. Jacob L. Stoltzfus; hymn at graveyard read by Pre. Henry L. Stoltzfus; abschied by Bishop David L. Riehl. Burial was in Fisher's Cemetery. Four deacon nephews were pall bearers.

STUTZMAN, Mrs. Anna, 72, Norwich R1, Ontario

died on Easter Sunday afternoon, March 30, very suddenly after being sick a say. Born October 6, 1902 in LaGrange County, Indiana, she was a daughter of Ferdinand and Magdalena (Bontrager) Miller. On January 6, 1927 she was married to Daniel J. Stutzman, who survives. Also surviving are four sons, Jacob of New York, Moses of Conewango Valley, New York, Ferdinand of Ohio, and Levi of Norwich R1, Ont., four daughters, Mrs. Valentine Petersheim of New Wilmington, Pa., and Cora, Fanny, and Elizabeth, at home; one sister, Mrs. Eli Miller, and one brother, Levi F. Miller of Geauga County, Ohio; one half sister, Mrs. Mose D. Yoder of Alliance, Ohio; one half brother, Harvey F. Miller of Davonport, Iowa, and 15 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home Wednesday, April 2, by Bishop Eli E. Swartzentruber of Norwich And Pre. Jacob Mast of Lawrence Co., Pa.; and at the Dan E. Miller home by Pre. Enos J. Miller and Pre. Levi A. Miller of Lucknow, Ont. Burial was in the Maple Dell Amish Cemetery.

SWARTZENTRUBER, Noah E., 74, Apple Creek, O.

died at his home Thursday evening, March 6, after a short illness. Born in Middlefield, March 1, 1901, he was a son of Enos and Lizzie (Schlabach) Swartzentruber, and had lived in the Apple Creek area for 42 years, coming from Iowa. He was ordained minister in 1950. On November 25, 1926, he married Ida Gingerich, who died in 1959. Surviving are two sons, Enos N. of Apple Creek R1 and Dan N. of the home; 23 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. Lovina Miller of Hydro, Oklahoma and Miss Ida Swartzentruber of Weatherford, Oklahoma, and one brother, Menno of Sarasota, Florida.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 9, at the residence, by Bishop Harvey E. Miller. Burial was in Gingerich Cemetery.

YODER, Isaac D., 84, Greenwich R2, Ohio

formerly of Nappanee, Ind., died in Goshen General Hospital March 24th. He had been living in Ohio for the last several years with one of his daughters but had come back to Indiana on a visit. He was at the home of his son Roman Yoder on Sunday evening, and as he went up some cement steps he fell over backwards landing on the back of his head on the cement walk below, causing a serious brain injury. He was taken to the hospital where he died that night at 1:00 a.m. Born January 14, 1891 in Newton County, Indiana, he was a son of Dan and Fannie (Miller) Yoder. On January 15, 1914 he married Mattie Mullet, who died May 17, 1967. Surviving are four sons, Roman of Goshen, Ind., Willis I. of Bremen, Ind., Ura I., of Bowling Green, Mo.; and Herman of Milford; five daughters, Mrs. Harvey (Clara) Yoder of Etna Green, Ind., Mrs. John (Esther) Schlabach of Greenwich, Ohio, Emma I. Yoder at home, Mrs. Ora (Fannie) Graber of Bronson, Mich., and Mrs. Elmer (Edna) Yoder of Clark, Mo.; two half brothers, Wm. D. and Eli D., both of Nappanee; two half sisters, Mrs. Dan J. Mullet and Mrs. Joe Nissley, both of Nappanee; 50 grandchildren, and 52 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Thursday Morning, March 27, at the Mylo Hochstetler home by Bishop Earl Miller and Melvin N. Miller. Burial was at the Weldy Cemetery.

YODER, Magdalena, 88, Arthur, Illinois

died March 4th at the age of 88 yr., 2 mo., 15 days. She was born December 19, 1886 a daughter of Pre. Joseph and Anna (Yoder) Schrock; married on December 6, 1906 to David Yoder, who died April 20, 1973; lived in matrimony 62 yr., 4 mo., 14 days. To this union were born five sons and five daughters. One daughter, Mrs. Anna Schrock, preceded them in death. Two brothers and two sisters survive; also 57 grandchildren, 159 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. A brother and three sisters preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 7, at the home, by Min Levi G. Miller, Bishop Henry Miller and Bishop Menno S. Miller. Burial was in Otto Cemetery.

YODER, Bishop Menno D., 74, Topeka R1, Indiana

died Thursday morning, March 13, at his home following an illness of several years. He was born near Topeka, where he had lived all his life, April 7, 1900. He was the son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Eash) Yoder. He was married February 16, 1922, to Susan C. Miller, who survives. Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Enos (Esther) Yoder, Middlebury R1, Mrs. Herman (AnnaMarie) Miller of Guthrie, Ky., and Mrs. Elmer W. (Carolyn) Yoder of Topeka R1; a son, Glen of Fort Wayne; 15 grandchildren; a great-grandchild, and three sisters, Mrs. Mary Christner of Shipshewana, Mrs. Menno S. (Elizabeth) Beachy of Millersburg, and Mrs. Anna Slabaugh of Danville, Michigan.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 16, at 1 p.m. at the Orla Troyer home, by Bishop Calvin Lambright, Pre. Tobe Troyer and Pre. Sam W. Miller. Burial was in the Hawpatch Cemetery.

YODER, Noah J., 61, Dundee R2, Ohio

died Tuesday afternoon, March 11, in Doctor's Hospital at Massillon after suffering an apparent stroke in his home Monday. Born in Stark County, he was a son of Jacob C. and Susanna (Coblentz) Yoder. In 1934 he married Fannie E. Troyer, who survives. Also surviving are nine daughters and two sons, Mrs. Henry A. (Lovina) Hershberger, Susanna, Edna, and Martha of the home, Mrs. Ervin J. (Esther) Raber of Baltic, Mrs. Freeman L. (Verna) Coblentz of Star Route, Mrs. Melvin R. (Mary) Sommers of R5, and Mrs. Charles V. (Delilah) Speck, all of Millersburg, Ella of Dundee R2, Jacob N. of Apple Creek, and Eli N. of Sugarcreek R1; three sisters, Sarah J. and Mrs. Emma Hochstetler of Dalton R2, and Mrs. Henry Gingerich of Dundee R2, and 16 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 14, at 10 a.m. in the Henry Raber home, by Bishop Isaac I. Miller. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Arthur, Illinois

Mrs. Edwin (Martha) Yoder had a severe case of cancer on her lower jaw. She was taken to St. Lukes Hospital in Chicago March 9th, had surgery March 13th. She came home March 26th and seems to be getting along all right. Her father, Min Levi Stutzman, 65, had a severe heart attack March 10th and was taken to St. Marys Hospital in Decatur. He seemed to recover fairly well till the 21st, then had another attack and is till under the doctor's care.

Fred Mast, 63, went to St. Marys Hospital March 4th and had a hip operation March 6th. He came home the 17th and is doing fine. He gets around real well.

Daniel Chupp, 24, was injured while sawing wood with a power saw. A piece of wood flew up and hit him in the eye. He was taken to St. Marys Hospital March 13th and had eye surgery. About a week later his eye was improving but he had other complications.

Joe C. Herschberger, 77, took sick while clerking at the Arthur Sale Barn Tuesday, March 25. He had a stroke and two nights later he fell on the floor, is a semi-bedpatient since.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Kokomo, Indiana

Andy E. Yoder of Amboy R1, Indiana, who had surgery for ruptured bowels in December, recently had another surgery performed to remove 18 inches of the ruptured bowel which was inflamed again and not healing as they had hoped. After having to fight infection he was gaining but was still in the hospital at the end of the month.

ORDINATIONS

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Jonas C. Peachey, 25, was ordained deacon in the Valley Church, March 30. He is a son of Bishop Crist B. Peachey, and is married to Susie, daughter of Rebecca (Zook) and the late David C. Swarey.

Cashton, Wisconsin

Harvey M. Miller, 38, was ordained minister, March 30. There were eight in the lot, namely, Jacob Detweiler, Harvey Miller, Chester Kauffman, Menno Schmucker, Dan J. Schmucker, Levi W. Miller, Amos J. Miller, and Joe C. Borntreger.

MIGRATIONS

Eldon Beachys and Pre. Willis Hershbergers moved from Kalona, Iowa to Windsor, Mo. It's a new settlement, although there was a small group of the Nebraska Church living there for some years, years ago.

Harley Kauffmans moved from Garnett, Kansas to Kalona, Iowa.

Ura C. Garbers moved from Oakland, Maryland to Belle Center, Ohio, March 5th.

Lewis E. Beachys moved from Oakland, Maryland to Stuarts Draft, Virginia, March 13th.

Dea. Sam S. Stoltzfus moved from St. Marys Co., Maryland to Path Valley, Pa., March 13th.

Daniel Zooks moved from St. Marys County, Maryland to Path Valley, Pa., March 26th.

Reuben Esh's moved from Quarryville, Pa. to Loganton, Pa., March 5th.

Dan Esh's moved from Lancaster County, Pa., to Loganton R2, Pa., March 11th.

Stephen Stoltzfus's moved from Lancaster County, Pa. to Loganton R2, Pa., March 12th.

Levi Fisher's moved from Nine Points, Pa. to Loganton R1, Pa., March 20th.

Elam Fisher's moved from Quarryville R3, Pa. to Loganton R2, March 26th.

Dea. David Blanks moved from Gap R1, Pa. to Newville, R3, Pa., March 12th.

David Millers moved from Bird-in-Hand, Pa. to Newburg, Pa., March 12th.

Levi Fishers moved from Kinzers, Pa. to Newville R3, Pa., March 25th.

Jerry Zooks moved from Bart, Pa. to Newburg, Pa., March 22nd.

Stephen Lees moved from Littlestown, Pa. to Newburg, Pa., March 18th.

Roman Hershbergers moved from Michigan to Cashton, Wisconsin, February 24th.

Melvin J. Hershbergers moved from Geauga Co., Ohio to Westby, Wisconsin, March 4th.

REPORTERS! Please write on only one side of paper. The sheets have to be cut to sort according to subjects. Writing on reverse side might be lost or overlooked. Write your name and locality with the crop and weather report and your locality with each subject. Thank you. S.E.F.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

March brought lots of rain and wind but not much sunshine. Total rainfall was 6.9 inches with a little snow the first week. Temperature was about average with a high of 72 degrees on the 22nd and a low of 22 on the 27th. Some oats were sown and plowing started.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

March was pretty wet, with close to 5 in. of rain. Coldest for the month was 16. It snowed on March 10, but did not accumulate. We had some nice spring days, but seems they were scarce. No exceptionally cold weather this winter, not much snow.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area in March was 4 in.

Market report: Choice fat cattle $37.00 to $40.60 cwt.; Feeder cattle $24.00 to $33.50 cwt.; fat hogs $38 to $42 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs 85¢ to 95¢ per lb.; prime veal $66 to $73 cwt.; Easter lambs, 40 lb. choice, $95 to $112 cwt.; Dairy cows at New Holland $375 to $680; heavy fowl 12¢ to 23¢ per lb.; pullets 51¢; ducks 58¢; turkey hens 47¢; corn $2.90 bu., $65 ton; wheat $3.25 bu.; barley $2.20 bu.; oats $1.70 bu.; potatoes retail $3.25 cwt.; hay $52 to $90 ton; straw $41 to $50 ton.

by Ammon F. Fisher

March started in windy and colder. The third it was cold with strong winds, temperature under 30 all day. March 5 - 7 was springlike weather. Farmers were plowing. The ninth was cold, 11 degrees. March had all kinds of weather, one day nice and calm, the next very windy and rainy. March 14 we had rain, sleet, and snow all day. March 19 was rainy and windy all day, creek was bank full. Easter Sunday temperature was 50 degrees, by next morning it was down to 26. Lots of sickness going around. Early birds planted some peas and potatoes in garden. Farm sales are mostly over. Some folks seeded tobacco beds, spread fertilizer, hauled manure and plowed.

By Elam S. Beiler

Farmers are hauling manure, and plowing. They had an opportunity to plow every month this past winter, so there is quite a bit of plowing done. Alfalfa and alfalfa mixture were sowed latter part of month in new grain fields. No pasture growth yet. Rye fields are greening nicely.

Bradford County, Pennsylvania, by Clemens Nissley

The first week of March was cold with snow flurries, was down to 10 the morning of the fourth. March 26 it was also 10, with a cold wind. March 30 it snowed, turning colder toward evening, enough snow to track a rabbit. Maple syrup was a fair run so far, of good quality.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

We had cold winds and snow yet in March, with a total of 10 in. snow and 4.2 in. rain. Farmers were plowing on the eighth and ninth, and it looked like an early spring. However, not much was done in the fields since. Due to cold weather, pastures and grain fields have not greened up much yet. Hauling manure seems like an easier job with the price of fertilizer so high.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

Our springlike weather was of short duration when March came in with cold, blustery winds. March 2 and March 8 we had 32 degrees and snow flurries. The lowest reading was 18 on March 9, with 3 inches of snow the next day. March 14 we had sleet, rain, and snow all day, about 3 inches. March 15 - 17, it was warm, melting our snow. The countryside got greener and we heard the frogs. March 19, heavy rain, creeks overflowed and reached flood stage in some areas. March 26 it was very stormy during the night, also the night of the 30th. Some plowing was done in March, but it was too wet for much of that. Women folks were cleaning house. It seems like an early spring. Some spring flowers are blooming, birds are singing.

Franklin County, Pennsylvania, by Jacob E. Flaud

We had real March weather during the month, quite changeable at times, from nice spring days to rather cold windy weather. We had a good bit of rain and some snow flurries. Farmers were busy plowing and hauling manure, also getting ready to sow oats.

Path Valley, Pennsylvania, by Daniel Z. Beiler

The month of March was wet, not much plowing done, no oats sowed yet. The weather was mild, very little snow, a few heavy rains.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam. M. Troyer

We had 3 inches of rain in March. The 14th we had 3 inches of snow. On March 9 it was 16 degrees, and on the 27th we had 15. We also had some nice, springlike weather. On March 25 it was so nice we planted garden, then it got cold again that the ground froze. We are building a ground-driven field sprayer, but spray is so hard to get that maybe we can't use it.

McClure, by Katie A. Speicher

The weather for March was mostly cold, rainy, and stormy. It snowed most of the day on the 14th, 4 in. There were only a few days of plowing weather in Mar. The coldest was 18 above zero on Mar. 24.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Beiler

March was mostly cold, with snow flurries, rain and wind. March 14 we had 3 inches of snow. The 12th, 19th, and 24th it rained most of the day. Over Easter we had wind, sunshine, and snow flurries. We did not have much farming weather in March.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

We had typical March weather, with a good bit of cold winds. The first three days were blustery. Mar. 14 we had 4 to 6 inches snow, but it only lasted a few days. March 17 and 18 were real springlike days, but the 19th was rainy again. March had a total of 4.5 in. rain, and 4 to 6 in. snow. Most gardens are still quite wet. High temp. 54, low 16. Crocuses are blooming, tulips are up, rhubarb is pushing through. Very little garden spading or planting was done due to the cold air and rain. This gives women a chance to finish house cleaning before the planting rush. Sugar prices have dropped a good bit. Feed prices drop only a small amount at a time.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y.. Renno

The weather during March was mostly wet and calm. No snow, and also not much farming done in March. We had almost 4 inches of rain, also much cool weather, but not extremely cold. We had very little snow this past winter, probably a total of about 6 inches.

Oakland, Maryland, by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

The first part of March was cold and snowy. After the middle of March we had some springlike days, and the last week we had snow again and colder. Good Friday it warmed up again. Very little plowing was done so far.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Mary A. Kinsinger

The weather for March has been a bit wintry all through the month, although we had some real nice, warm days. We also had some very windy days, but spring is on the way, at least the birds are coming back again. The maple season has been on the go, and there has been some very nice syrup made. However, it is now getting darker. People are getting itchy fingers to work in the ground soon.

Townville, Pennsylvania, by Willis J. Hostetler

Weather in March has been rainy and snowy mostly, with a few nice sunny days. Temperatures ranged from 55 to a low of 16 above.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Fisher

We had a lot of rainy, cloudy, and snowy weather in March. On March 14 we had the biggest snowstorm of the winter. Temperature was mild most of the mo. Not much plowing done, due to the wet weather. We had extra good maple syrup weather this season. Feed prices are dropping a little, also sugar prices. March went out cold and windy, but sunny.

Norfolk, New York, by Josiah Eicher

The weather in March has been some cloudy and some sunny days. The first few days were springlike. On the seventh we had 10 in. of snow. March 9 it was 1 below zero. The rest of the month we had good sap gathering days. Feed prices have come down. Grade A milk is $8.06 cwt.

Orwell, Ohio, by Mrs. Albert Mast

March came in like a lion and went out like a lion. There was a lot of nice weather in between, but every now and then we had snow squalls. It also rained a few days. Soybeans went up again in March.

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

March came in like a lion, cold and snowy. It was down almost to zero the ninth. The 11th to 13th, it was very nice, then the 14th a heavy snow came, 10 to 12 inches, blocking driveways, etc. Then we had milder weather until the 25th we got more snow and cold. March 31 was nice and sunny again. Sugar makers have had an extra good season, with not many runs, but more sap per run. The demand for syrup is down somewhat, selling from $8 to $11 per gallon. Farmers are plowing now.

Stark County, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

We had a very nice March, one of the nicest I can remember. On the second we had a little snow, but it soon melted, the temperature being 32. On the 9th it was 15 then we had a few days of snow. On the 13th it rained; the 16th we had 6 inches of snow. The rest of the month we had nice weather. Livestock prices: top hogs $40; calves $63; steers $37.75; cows $23.70; bulls $32; lambs $60. The building trade is picking up a little. There seem to be homes for sale over the country.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

March came in like a lion. We had beautiful March weather. Lots of moisture, snow flurries most of the day on Easter Sunday. Temperature from a low of 20 to a high of 70. Lots of plowing was done this month.

Eastern Holmes County, by Raymond S. Weaver

Morning temperatures during March averaged 29 degrees here in Holmes County, ranging from a low of 8 to a high of 52 degrees. Typical March weather prevailed, with winds, rain, snow, and sleet, with occasional sunshine. A lot of sod was turned over in preparation for another growing season. Some farmers were still hucking corn that had been left out due to the early winter.

Southeastern Holmes County, by John L, Yoder

March followed its regular pattern: Some nice and days, also some high winds and rough weather, some snow, and rain with thunder and lightning. Pasture, hay, and wheat fields are greening up. Plowing for corn is well underway, but not too much plowed for oats. Hog market is steady, feeder pigs high. Good dairy cows are selling well. Back to grass, cattle showing some strength, but still a good buy.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

We had several real nice days in March, but mostly windy, snow, and rain. March 27 it was down to 15, so the ground was frozen good and hard. Wheat and grass look good for this time of year. Farmers are busy plowing between showers, also cutting wood. Some farmers are buying hay and straw. Some have corn to husk yet. Fat hog market at 40¢, feeder pigs moving up, while the beef market is more depressed. Lots of drilling for gas and oil going on in our area.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary Yoder

We had a lot of wind and rain in March. March 14 we had rain, sleet, and snow all day. Roads were slippery. We had about 5 inches snow, Snow [illegible] about all gone again. Men have started to plow whenever the weather permits.

Utica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin E. Hershberger

March was mostly cloudy and damp. The rainfall was over 3 inches. The warmest day on the 25th was 66, and the coldest was 9 on the 9th. We had a few light snows. On five days the temperature didn't go above freezing. We had 11 days that the temp. was above 50. Sugar water is over with, had a good run. Men are plowing. Grain prices have come down a little, but beef cattle and calves are still low.

Hicksville, Ohio, by David Raber

We had some real nice springlike days during the middle of March, but the last week has been cold with snow flurries and freezing weather. Grain prices are up some again. Apples are selling for $5 a bu. and potatoes sell at $3 for 50 lb.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

The first week of March temp. was from 25 to upper 30's. We tapped our sugar bush on 10th, 11th, and 12th. We cooked our first syrup the 17th, rather late for this area. We had a high of 56 degrees. We had several thunder showers. The week of the 23rd colder and snow, no sap weather. We had a white Easter, with ½ inch snow on the 31st, and temperature at 16.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

The first part of March was average. It warmed up around the middle of the month, that we tapped the sugar bush. Last part of the month was cold again. March 31 it was 8 above. This cold weather will make more sap. Maple syrup is bringing up to $11 a gallon.

Branch County, Michigan, by Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

March was very nice. Many days in the 40's until the last week when it dipped into the twenties again, with snow showers. We had several showers during the month, and some thunder. Hotbeds are being dug, also some plowing being done.

Centreville, Michigan, by Mrs. Treva Yoder

March had many nice days, but some rain and snow. Good Friday was very cold, then we had snow the 29th and 30th. The 31st was nice and muddy.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

First of March came in cold and with snow; lowest of the month was 4 above on the 16th. No school on Good Friday on account of icy roads. Cold, snow and windy on Easter Sunday. We had a few nice spring days. Some oats was being sowed latter part of month.

Ashley, Indiana, by Mrs. Noah N. Eicher

March came in cold, with snow squalls, 10 to 20 degrees all day, but no wind. March 2 it snowed all day. Coldest for the month was 6 above on the 7th. Warmest was the 18th and 19th, 40 to 50 degrees. We had thunder on the 22nd. Good Friday had a freezing rain and wind all day, in the 20's. Easter morning had snow. We had lots of hard wind. We had about two clear days, rest were somewhat cloudy. Some plowing was done the last two weeks,

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

March started in with fair weather, but windy. The first week was changeable, some snow and some rain. March 7 an all day rain, the tenth snow, fair and warmer the latter part of that week. March 19 nice and warm, then springlike weather till the 24th. Snow and snow flurries the 24th and 25th. Some early gardens were made. Weather was favorable for the maple syrup.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

The first few days in March were damp and chilly. We had nice springlike days in the middle of the month. The 25th it was rather wintry, but the next day was a lovely day. Women are still quilting, sewing, and getting garden - minded, but too cold yet. Good Fri. was rainy and turning to ice, making it impractical to move around much.

Kosciusko County, Indiana, by Joni D. Gingerich

The month of March was mild in comparison to what we sometimes have. The low was 17 on the third, and the high was 62 on the 22nd, according to the Goshen weather station. We had 3.1 inches of snow, and slightly over an inch of rain. We had snow flurries that were not measureable, and the last week it was windy and damp, making it seem much colder than it really was. We had 12 cloudy days, and 17 partly cloudy. There were only a few days of all sunshine. Some farmers on the lighter soil have been plowing, but the heavier soil is just too wet yet. If the weather holds out a few days it will be ready. Maple molasses cooking is over, which turned out good this year. The price varies from $9 to $12 per gallon. Grain prices are down from what they were last fall. Soybeans are $5.73; wheat $3.49; corn $2.71; oats $1.85; hay from $85 to $130 per ton; good meat hogs 39¢ lb.; while weaning pigs are $42 a piece. Feeder cattle run from 22¢ to 29¢ lb.

Nappanee, by Mrs. Alvin E. Burkholder

The weather pattern for March followed a very cool trend. It was milder the first week, then also the third week. Otherwise the north and east winds prevailed, bringing snow flurries and rain, plus freezing temperatures. We had a number of typical STRONG March winds. One to be remembered was on Mar. 24, which brought down some loaded wash lines. Boiling maple syrup is finished. Many do not have enough to fill usual orders. Farmers are itching to get into fields, while mothers are cleaning house and raking the winter's debris off the lawns. Kite weather was good, to the youngster's delight.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

The first part of March brought some very mild and springlike weather with plenty of welcome sunshine. Those beautiful days were often quite windy, but it still gave some enough spring fever to plant potatoes and peas, along with lettuce and radishes. The cold, snowy winterlike weather the last two weeks may cause some to wish they hadn't planted so much. The last week we also had a heavy thunder shower, which kept the farmers from finishing their oats sowing.

Milroy, Indiana, by John R. Yutzy

We had typical March weather. We had rain, snow, sleet, ice, and some windy days. We had our biggest snows of the winter in March. It snowed 3¾ inches March 9 & 10, and 4 inches March 13. Our rainfall for the month was 4½ inches, with 2 inches of it the 11th and 12th. Our coldest morning was 15 on the second and again on the 15th. The high was 65 on March 22. Some plowing was done, mostly the last whole week. Wheat is greening up nicely. Some early garden was planted. Grain prices are improving somewhat. Hogs are holding around $40 to $41. Feeder pigs are selling as high as 86¢ lb. for 47 lb. pigs. Cattle prices are improving.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

March came in rather lamb-like, the temperature was above freezing. We had a few snow flurries and quite a bit of rain the first week. The 16th the temperature was 20 above, with a good strong wind and a little snow. The wind lasted for three days, then turned warmer. Nearly all the oats have been sown. The 23rd and 24th we had heavy rains so that water began to stand in the fields. The last few mornings were 24 degrees.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Rain, rain, and more rain in March. On the 10th we had from 7 to 10 inches, resulting in flooded homes, etc. in low areas. In the week of 24th we had 6½ inches again, leaving many acres of land under water, including wheat fields. Volunteers began clean-up in flooded areas the last week.

Lawrence County, Tennessee, by Jacob J. Gingerich

March was cooler than average, with lowest morning temperature of 14 degrees, highest, 64; evening lowest 22, highest 70; morning average, 39, evening, 44. We had several sidesweeps of tornados with light damage here and there in this vicinity. Rainfall for the month was 14¼ inches. A lot of plowing was done in the first part of the month. There were several snow flurries but very little stayed on the ground.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by E. E. Schrock

We had some heavy snows in March, on the second and on the ninth, and rain on the 23rd. Temperatures from a low 11 to a high 78. We had some very nice days, too. Some early gardens were planted the last of the month.

Reno County (Partridge), Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

Spring is coming a little late this year. March was mostly cool and wet. No heavy rains or snows, but quite a few snow flurries and many cloudy days. The winds didn't start until about the last week, then we had them every day. Very little field work has been done, and less than average gardening. Some oats has been sowed, but some people did not sow at all because it was too late till the ground was fit.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

The first two weeks of March were more cold and wintry than normal. The third week was clear, warm, and drying. Grass and hay got started nicely. A few were at field work a day or two. Good Friday week was cold, windy, and rainy.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

Weather for March has been about normal, some freezing and rough weather the first half of the month. Then we had a week of springlike weather, the last week more rough again and a heavy rain. Very little field work has been done yet. Fruit trees have been held back, so fruit is not frozen as yet.

Anabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

The forepart of March brought us above average moisture, snow and rain, often over weekends. We had quite a bit of snow making roads and feed lots a mess. On Saturday, March 15th the mercury rose and our snow left us and ground dried off. We had some real nice warm sunny days. Since March 20th we have had strong winds. On the 25th a wind storm hit the area turning over small buildings and felling dead trees. Our low temperature for March was 16 degrees on the 13th and high was 89 on the 20th. Our feed of the past summer seems to have little feeding value and farmers are running out of feed. Lots of big farmers (natives) are losing cattle because of sickness. Spring seems to be around the corner. A few folks have planted some garden seeds. This winter has been milder than average. Wild geese were seen flying every month this winter.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

The old saying of "Early Easter, Early Spring' does not appear to hold out in this part of Missouri this year. We had another fairly heavy snow the 2nd Sunday in March. Then the week of the 17th we had some real windy days which dried off the ground. We managed to get some oats into the ground. The 26th we had 2 inches rain, then several cold nights. This late cold weather was hard on cattleman and farmers who generally have lots of pasture by this time of year. They have to buy more hay as things in general are almost one month later than normal. Hogs are moneymakers at present, with 40 lb. pigs selling over 90¢ a lb., and fat hogs at 41¢, with feed prices down some.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

March was still a winter month, with six zero mornings. March 13 it was 13 below zero with high winds. We had a few stormy days, still some snow banks around. March 31 was a springlike day. Blackbirds and robins are on their northward journey.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

The weather was rather rough, cold, and snowy for March. This last week was especially windy, damp, and cold with freezing rain and snow. It was the week before Easter which is usually rough, so we are hoping for brighter days.

Bloomfield, Iowa, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

It snows very easily and often just flurries. The week of the 16th was very nice and warm with temperatures daily at 60 and a few times at 70 degrees. The week before Easter was more blustery and wintery with rain and icy on the 27th. Lots of windy days. Too wet for field work although one man was seen plowing recently. Feeder pigs are at $40. Corn is coming down lowering the feed bill a bit.

Milton, Iowa, by Delbert R. Schmucker

March had lots of wind and a variety of weather. The first half had cold and snow, then one week of 60 to 74 degree temperature. A little plowing was done, then it rained and went down to 18 degrees. The last day was warm and sunny. Market Report: Beans up to 5.96; Corn, 2.87; Hay up to 2.00 a bale; Milk, 5.61 for 3.7 test; Cattle up to $41; Hogs steady at $38 to $40.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by Mrs. L, J. Borntrager

March started in with zero weather, but nice sunshine. On the fourth it snowed all day. We had more snow in the first half of the month, leaving approximately 2 ft. on the level. The week of the 16th we had very springlike weather, temperature above 50. Snow was melting and water was running, bare spots here and there. On the 21st we had rain with thunder and lightning Our winter seemed to return again by the 23rd, with snow again and wind that day and the next. On March 27 we had an old fashioned blizzard A strong east wind and snowed all day, drifting driveways and some roads. It was damp and foggy on Good Friday. On the 30th it was 16 and sunny. March 31 it was snowing again. Milk prices are about the same. Cattle and veal calves slightly higher. Feeder pigs are higher again, 42 lb. $38.50. Horses are also more expensive. Sugar prices are slowly coming down .

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker Jr.

The first of March we had 20 below zero. It warmed up again. The 20th we had rain. The last week in March we had snow blizzards. Luckily the temperature didn't drop on those windy days.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Moses S. Miller

March was cold, although we had some days of thawing. We have a lot of snow yet. Had a low of 16 below zero on March 9th, which is very unusual for March. It is too cold to tap maple trees. Lots of farmers are buying hay and corn. Hay is around $1.50 a bale; Corn, $2.30 a bushel.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

March was nice the first half, a little on the cool side but steady, had rain and snow the last week and quite a lot of wind. Roads were icy enough to stop traffic a few days. Had thunder and lightning on the 23rd. The coldest for the month was zero on the 9th. Maple syrup was running a little the week of the 19th but it got cold enough to stop it again over Easter. Markets are a little better again. Calf market steady at $30 to $45 for top veal; day old calves, from 8.00 $20; Cow Market, from $17 to $25; Hogs, $38 to 38.50.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Joe C. Bontrager

The temperature for February was from 30 degrees above, the warmest morning, to 26 below on the coldest. The month throughout was mostly mild till the last week, then we had a 6 inch snow on Monday morning with a strong north wind. Tuesday and Wednesday we had a strong west wind which slowed the traffic quite a bit.

The weather for March was quite cold up to the 21st, then we had a week of thawing weather. The week of the 26th we had a strong east wind which lasted for two days, also had some rain, snow, and sleet, then on Good Friday it thawed most of the day with very little wind. The southern slopes are nearly bare again but the northern slopes still have a foot or so of snow in places. We have had very little sap weather yet as it was too cold most of the time. On the 29th we had a west wind and snow again.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William M. Schrock, Sr.

March came in with 10 below zero the first morning. We had several mornings with zero or below, also had fog at times. We also had two March blizzards, but not very cold then. Also quite a few nice sunny days, and some windy, Hay is selling for a dollar a bale, some for $1.60 a bale. Cattle prices run about the same, but hogs sell high. Eggs 50¢ dozen.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

March came in like a lamb, but rather cold. We had 6 inches wet snow the night of the fifth. The rest of the month was changeable, but mostly mild until the 26th, then the temperature dropped down to 12. It warmed up considerably during the day, and cooled off again at night. On Easter we had snow off and on during the day, and a cold wind. Not much maple syrup has been cooked in this area.

Grey County, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

Some people tapped their sugar trees the first full week in March, but by the ninth colder weather set in. It was right at zero. Warmer weather followed with a good run of sap. Several rainy days, with a freezing rain on the 24th that loaded trees with ice, followed by more cold weather. We had 6 above zero on the 26th, 10 on the 27th and Good Friday. Southeast winds temperature at 50 degrees, so sap is running again. Maple syrup sells from $12 up per Imperial gallon . with a big demand for it. Feeder pigs are a good price but small cattle are still cheap. Hay and grain are moderating a little after unusually high prices, with hay going to $1.75 per bale .

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

We had a fair amount of snow throughout February, with a storm on the 13th, and rain on the 17th. Araound the 24th we had a thaw, with thunder and lightning one morning. It has turned colder since, and we have around six inches of snow.

March remained a wintry month with snow storms, and temperatures down to 10 above. Around the 15th it warmed up with spring-like weather, and most of the snow went, but this was followed by freezing rain and more snow. A number of spring birds have been sighted.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

March had as much, or more, winter weather than the other months, also had quite a bit of thawing and Freezing again. No plowing has been done. About the only strong price is milk, beef is still low and pork has dropped again.

MARRIAGES

Dover, Delaware

Miller, Yoder – Dan, son of Pre. Henry E. and Effie Miller, to Barbara, daughter of Pre. Leroy J. and Mary Yoder, March 6.

Troyer, Byler – Simon Jr., son of Simon S. and Susan Troyer, to Sylvia, daughter of Adam H. and Saloma Byler, March 11.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

Yoder, Weaver – Leroy Jr., son of Pre. Leroy S. Yoder, to Mary, daughter of Andy A. Weavers, both of Mifflintown R2, March 20, by Bishop Tobe Petersheim.

Holmes County, Ohio

Miller, Yoder – John, son of the late David A. and Ella (Kurtz) Miller, to Katie, daughter of David M. and Mary Ann (Hershberger) Yoder, February 27, by Bishop David E. Yoder.

Miller, Yoder – Clarence M., son of Melvin A. and Verna (Yoder) Miller, to Edna, daughter of Henry E. and Katie (Hershberger) Yoder, March 13.

Hershberger, Yoder – Henry, son of Pre. Alvin Hershbergers, to Malinda, daughter of Crist G. and Katie (Miller) Yoder, March 20, by Bishop Ammon J. Miller of Danville area.

Stutzman, Hershberger – Emanuel N., son of Noah D. and Amanda (Miller) Stutzman of Norwich, Ont., to Ella, daughter of Sam Y. and Caroline (Yoder) Hershberger, March 20, by Bishop Sam Y. Hershberger.

Miller, Troyer – Eli, son of Joe H. and Edna (Mast) Miller, to Betty, daughter of Moses L. and Mary Ann (Yoder) Troyer, March 27, by Bishop Aden R. Miller.

Weaver, Hochstetler – Ivan, son of Harry and Fannie (Miller) Weaver, to Lizzie, daughter of Levi and Susie (Swartzentruber) Hochstetler, April 3.

Centreville, Michigan

Yoder, Bontrager – Phineas, son of Alvin B. and Sarah (Hostetler) Yoder of Centreville R1, to Barbara, daughter of Henry S. and Dorothy (Schlabach) Bontrager of Menden, Mich., March 20, by Bishop Wm. P. Miller.

Camden, Michigan

Brenneman, Yoder – Floyd, son of John and Anna (Zook) Brenneman, to Bertha, daughter of Amos and Maggie (Wagler) Yoder, March 13, by Bishop Simon Brenneman of Ashland, Ohio.

Bronson, Michigan

Schmucker, Borntrager – Laverne, son of Ivan and Laura Schmucker of Coldwater, Mich., to Barbara, daughter of David S. and the late Mary Borntrager of Orland, Indiana, March 20.

Miller, Graber – David, son of Herman and Caroline Miller of Centreville, Mich., to Edna, daughter of Ora A. and Fanny Graber of Bronson, March 25.

Branch County, Michigan

Schwartz, Schwartz – David, son of Annie (Hertzler) and the late Noah J. Schwartz of Ashland, Ohio, to Katie, daughter of Sam M. and Katie (Wengerd) Schwartz of Fremont R3, Ind., February 6.

Allen County, Indiana

Schmucker, Graber – William, son of the late Noah Jr. and Sarah Mae (Miller) Schmucker, to Leah, daughter of Raymond and Amanda (Schmucker) Graber, March 20, by Bishop Victor Graber Jr.

Elkhart County, Indiana

Slabaugh, Gingerich – Ernest Ray, son of Abner and Barbara (Yoder) Slabaugh of Middlebury R2, to Martha, daughter of Eli Gingerich of Middlebury R2, March 6.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Miller – Joseph, son of Pre. William and Clara (Lehman) Miller, to Treva, daughter of Joas E. and Gertie (Yoder) Miller, March 13, by Bishop Sam J. Miller.

Bontrager, Yoder – Perry, son of Amos R. and Wilma E. (Miller) Bontrager, to Louella, daughter of William and Lovina (Helmuth) Yoder, March 18.

Miller, Miller – Vernon, son of Harold and Elizabeth (Beachy) Miller, to Mary Alice, daughter of Ezra and Anna (Bontrager) Miller, March 20.

Yoder, Eash – Glenn, son of John H. and Fannie (Helmuth) Yoder of Colon, Mich., to Emma, daughter of Perry D. and Esther (Miller) Eash, March 26, by Bishop Amzie J. Troyer.

Nappanee, Indiana

Yoder, Helmuth – Henry Jr., son of Pre. Henry Yoders of Goshen, to Emma, daughter of Oscar and Barbara (Yoder) Helmuth, March 26, by Bishop Henry Miller.

Helmuth, Yoder – Glen, son of Harry and Sophia (Borkholder) Helmuth, to Mary Alice, daughter of Perry E. and Anna Mae (Mast) Yoder, April 3

Kokomo, Indiana

Gingerich, Otto – Harley, son of Bishop George and Emma (Yoder) Gingerich, to Anna Mae, from the home of Henry J. and Mary (Gingerich) Otto, March 13, by Bishop George Gingerich of Bloomfield, Iowa.

Arthur, Illinois

Herschberger, Otto – Menno Jr., son of Deacon Menno D. Herschbergers, to Dorothy, daughter of Rudy D. and Lizzie (Miller) Otto, March 11.

Stutzman, Miller – Jake, son of Eli and Saloma (Hostetler) Stutzman, to Mary Ann, daughter of Alvin and Anna (Kaufman) Miller, March 13.

Diener, Hostetler – Marvin, son of Jerry and Nettie (Helmuth) Diener, to Sarah, daughter of Pre. Joe and Mattie (Hostetler) Hostetler, March 20.

Kaufman, Schrock – David, son of Amzy and Emma (Yoder) Kaufman, to Anna Mae, daughter of Henry and Gertrude (Jess) Schrock, March 27.

Guthrie, Kentucky

Schlabach, Yutzy – Stanley, son of Ray Schlabach, to Arlene, daughter of Homer Yutzy, by Bishop Simon M. Yoder.

Schlabach, Miller – Paul, son of Owen Schlabach, to Linda, daughter of Herman Millers, by Bishop Simon M. Yoder.

Audrain County, Missouri

Petersheim, Borntreger – Joni, son of Bishop Benedict and Sarah Petersheim, to Fannie, daughter of Dea. Dan and Susie Borntreger, March 4, by Bishop Benedict L. Petersheim.

Bontrager, Bontrager – Dennis, son of John and Lydia Bontrager of Anabel, Mo., to Lizzie, daughter of Jerry and Anna Bontrager, March 20, by Bishop Neal Bontrager of Anabel, Missouri.

Jamesport, Missouri

Schrock, Yoder – Lloyd, son of Christie and Edna (Helmuth) Schrock, to Leona, daughter of John H. and Ada (Miller) Yoder, March 20, by Dave Schrock of Haven Kansas.

Yoder, Schrock – Wilbur, son of John H. and Ada (Miller) Yoder, to Bertha, daughter of Eli and Verna (Beachy) Schrock, March 25, by Dave Schrock of Haven, Kansas.

Buchanan County, Iowa

Yoder, Nisly – Joe, son of Wayne and Amanda Yoder, to Mary, daughter of Pre. Levi and Lizzieann Nisly, March 25, by Bishop John Nisly.

Amherst, Wisconsin

Lambright, Borntrager – Mahlon, son of Ammon U. and Susie (Yoder) Lambright, to Mary, daughter of Sam R. and Sadie (Mast) Borntrager, March 13.

Cashton, Wisconsin

Hershberger, Hochstetler – Thomas, son of John Hershberger, to Ida, daughter of Menno Hochstetler, March 6.

Mt. Elgin, Ontario

Troyer, Petersheim – Henry L. Troyer of Lakeside, to Ida Petersheim of Mt. Elgin, March 6.

A YEAR WITHOUT A SUMMER

History tells us that in 1816 there was no summer throughout the twelve months and fires were necessary almost the whole year around. In April there was an abundance of snow and ice, while in May it became so wintry that crops were killed. In June one of the heaviest snowfalls of the year occurred, and throughout the balance of the summer months there was almost continual snow and wintry winds. Only one farmer raised a crop of corn in the eastern section of the country, this being made possible by the owner keeping fire going almost continually in fields. These conditions also prevailed in England and other parts of Europe, and 1816 went down in history in these sections as the year without summer.

May Weather in Former Years

May 14, 1834, it turned cold and by the 18th and 19th it was so cold that the potatoes in the barns and cellars froze and on the 19th the people did all their hauling with sleds. The sledding was good. The fruit was destroyed and nearly all leaves dropped from the trees. May 30, 1856, rain and some snow fell. In 1857 there were no leaves on the trees until the 23rd of May. June 5, 1859, a hard frost.

Reprint from THE BUDGET,
submitted by Joshua S. Lapp

Freuet euch des Herrn.. Ps. 33:1

AN AGED ONE SEES THE LIGHTS OF HOME AHEAD

Art thou weary as you older grow?
Loved ones gone, life's hope all fled?
Look, beloved, there before thee
LIGHTS OF HOME SHINE JUST AHEAD.

As the traveler journeying homeward
Sees afar the welcome light,
Like a beacon set to guide him
Thru the darkness of the night.

Tho' the way you now must journey
Lonely is -- so many gone –
Trust the ONE Who died to save you
Through the desert leads you on.

Though your heart is oft times weary;
Though your stumbling footsteps stray;
He who loves you, lives to keep you,
Guides you onward toward the DAY.

Soon the journey will be over,
His own voice will bid you come!
Rest and welcome shall enfold you
Once within the realms of HOME.

HOME! Where loved ones fast are gathring,
HOME! Where all is joy and light!
HOME! Where doors are barred forever
'GAINST earth's sorrows and its night! EMT

from "For the Older Folks" by Cyrus Osterhus

Das Buchſtabierſpiel
(die Spelling-Bee)

Auf den vierzehnt Februar haben wir etliche Schulen in Leacock Twp. beſucht. Es iſt eine Freud für ſehen daß die Lehrer und Lehrerinnen ſich ſo viel mühe und arbeit machen für andere Leit ihre Kinder etwas gutes lernen. die Schüler thun ſo ſchön leſen und ſingen.

Es waren auch mit uns es Allen Yoders und Andy Swangerds; die Seth-Zeba, Mattie, Lydia und Emma Renno und die Sarah Peachey von Juniata County. Wir aſſen das Nacht-eſſen ans Amos F. Eſcher.

Am Abend haben ein Theil Leut ſich verſammelt ans Newport Schulhaus für ein Deutſch Buchſtabierſpiel. Sie ſtanden auf beide ſeiten in das Schulhaus und buchſtabieren harte Worten. Aber eins nach dem andern wird verhudelt, ſagt die Buchſtaben nicht recht und nehm den ſitz. die Lydia Renno war endlich allein übrig und hat das Buchſtabierſpiel gewonnen.

The Hour Glass

Days well spent are drops all sparkling
 In the waters deep and broad,
Of Eternity's Great Ocean,
 Every drop is held by God.
Days well spent are Shining Jewels
 Scattered in the peaceful road
Which to happiness will lead us
 To our Father's blest abode.

From the Writing Book of Lydia L. (Fisher) Petersheim

To Recall a Few Memories of the past

THE JOHN OR HANS AND MARY (EICHELMAN) BLANK FAMILY OF COCALICO TOWNSHIP

By Amos L. Fisher

Continued from last month

(17) Simeon Stoltzfus (13), born in 1834, died in 1884, married to Mattie Hertzler, daughter of Joseph and Barbara (Zook) Hertzler. They moved from Kelley Point, Union Co., Pa. to Hartford County, Kansas. They had nine children, some who moved to Mifflin County, but the boys, Christian, David and Ezra, all lived in Hartford County and Dickinson County, Kansas. Susan Stoltzfus, married to Elias Kennel, moved to Long Green in Baltimore County, Maryland. Joseph Stoltzfus, of the above mentioned family, also lived in Kansas but his children, it seems, all married in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, being affiliated with the Mennonite Church.

(18) John Stoltzfus (13), born in 1839, died in 1880, married to Susie Augsburger. They had four children, Elizabeth married to Joseph Neuhouser of Lancaster County, Sadie and Christian of Indiana.

(19) Susan Stoltzfus (13), married to Christian Zook, son of Henry and Christiena (Kurtz) Zook of Binkley's Bridge, now Zook's Corner. One of their daughters, Christiana Zook, married to John S. Mast, bishop of the Conestoga Mennonite Church. They were the parents of the late historian and writer, C. Z. Mast of Morgantown.

(20) Isaac Stoltzfus (13), born in 1844, married his first wife, Barbara Kenegy, daughter of Absalom and Nancy (Smucker) Kenegy of Belleville. Note: Nancy Smucker Kenegy married her second husband, Pre. Jacob Stoltzfus Sr. of Lancaster County. It so happened that in October of 1887 Barbara wife of Isaac Stoltzfus, who were then living in Kansas, came east to Lancaster County to visit her relatives. When Barbara and Nancy wife of Jacob Stoltzfus Jr., son of the above mentioned, were driving in a carriage on a country road a short distance east of Ronks station, they were hit by a fast train traveling west at 2:00 p.m. at what is called Steele's Crossing. The women both died within a few minutes of the impact. Isaac Stoltzfus was notified by telegraph and made arrangements to come to Pennsylvania to attend his wife's funeral. Both are buried in Beiler's Cemetery at Ronks. Isaac married his second wife, Mary Hooley, and moved to West Liberty, Logan County, Ohio.

(21) Jonathan Stoltzfus (13), born in 1848 in Union County, Pennsylvania, died in 1908 at Selden, Kansas, married to Lydia Esh, born in 1849, died in 1932 at Wood River, Nebraska, daughter of Abraham and Catherine (Headings) Esh of Union County. They moved from Union County, Pennsylvania to Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa. They had eight children of which only three grew to adulthood, (22) Christian E. Stoltzfus (21), born in 1870 in Union County, married to Katie Martin. They lived in Kansas, Beemer, Nebraska and then to Manson, Iowa where most of his children resided. (23) Ammon E. Stoltzfus (21), born in 1872 in Union County, married to Elizabeth Schrock, born in 1875, daughter of Christian and Katherine (Birky) Schrock. Ammon E. Stoltzfus was ordained minister in 1897, later moved to Wood River, Nebraska and still later to Wellman, Iowa where he died in 1965. Wilmer D. Swope of Leetonia, Ohio has compiled a brief but very interesting booklet of the Pre. Ammon E. Stoltzfus family; Wilmer's wife being Alverda Ruth Stoltzfus, a granddaughter of Ammon. (24) Sarah E. Stoltzfus (21), married to Harvey Stutzman, lived at Seward County, Nebraska.

As stated before Deacon Christian Stoltzfus of Union County married his second wife, Lydia Beiler, and had five children; (25) Anna or Nancy Stoltzfus (13), born in 1856 in Union County, married to Frank Umble of Gap, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Kurtz) Umble. They moved to West Liberty, Ohio and had several children one of which was John Umble who published the article in the Mennonite Quarterly Review in 1933 concerning the History of the Amish settlement in Union County, Pennsylvania, which is being continued in current issues of The Diary.

(26) Elizabeth Stoltzfus (13), born in 1857, married to David Stoltzfus of Lancaster County, born in 1854, son of David and Sally (Smoker) Stoltzfus. He was the last Amish minister to be ordained in the Buffalo Valley in Union County. They had several children and moved to Logan County, Ohio.

(27) Eli B. Stoltzfus (13), born in 1860 in Union County, married to Martha Ellen Yoder, daughter of Bishop Jonas C. and Fannie (Kenegy) Yoder. He was ordained minister and bishop of the Mennonite Church at Hudson, Ohio.

(28) Benjamin B. Stoltzfus (13), born in 1861 in Union County, married to Emma Rich of Hartford, Kansas. He also was ordained minister of the Mennonite Church at Lima, Ohio.

Another son of Jacob and Mary (Blank) Stoltzfus, Family No. 3, is (29) John Stoltzfus (3), married to Catherine Hooley, who moved from Salisbury Township, Lancaster County to Concord, Tennessee and was better known as "Tennessee" John Stoltzfus. Some more of this family at a later date.

(30) Jacob Stoltzfus (3), born February 3, 1808, died in 1892, married first to Barbara King, second to Nancy Smucker, widow of Absalam Kanagy, third to Nancy Kurtz, daughter of Christian and Catharine (King) Kurtz. As you notice this Absalam Kanagy was mentioned before in this article as their daughter, Barbara Kanagy, was married to Isaac Stoltzfus, No. (20). Jacob Stoltzfus was ordained to the ministry in 1846 in the Middle Pequea District in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. They were the parents of twelve children; will mention a few; (31) John J. Stoltzfus (30), married to Barbara Mast, lived at Morgantown, descendants mostly Mennonite; (32) Jonathan Stoltzfus (30), married to Elizabeth Lapp; (33) Jacob Stoltzfus (30), married to Nancy Kauffman, she being in the fatal train accident as before mentioned. They lived at Weavertown. (34) Rebecca Stoltzfus (30), married to Daniel Esh who was born in Mifflin County and came to Lancaster County from Union County at fifteen years of age with his widowed mother. They had a family of ten children, and can say that all the people living in Lancaster County who spell their name Esh descended from this family. There are more bishops, ministers, and Deacons from this family than any other family known in Lancaster County.

(35) Mary Stoltzfus (30), married to Michael Kauffman, also born in Mifflin County, in 1834. They had a large family born in Lancaster County and Chester County.

(36) Simeon Stoltzfus (30), married to Sarah Esh, sister to Lydia Esh, No. (2) of this article. (37) Moses Stoltzfus (30), died single in Pulaski, Iowa in 1877. He was engaged to be married to Plesant Ann Plank of that place when he took sick and died about one week before the wedding ceremony was to be performed, and is buried in the Pulaski Cemetery (see page 56 of March 1973 issue of The Diary). (37) Catharine Stoltzfus (30), married to Jonas Stoltzfus, lived on the farm now owned by Pre. Ephraim Riehl.

The second of Bishop John Blank's children is (38) Anna Blank (2), married to Christian Stoltzfus, born in 1781, a brother to Jacob of family No. (3). They lived on the farm about two miles south of Bareville now owned by Israel Swarey whose wife is a great-great-granddaughter of the above mentioned Christian Stoltzfus.

There is a very strong lineage of this family among the Amish in Lancaster County through the Kings, Lapps, Beilers, and Fishers. (39) Cathrine Stoltzfus (38), married to Christian King; (40) Elizabeth Stoltzfus (38), married to John King whose son Bishop Christian King had married to Maria Stoltzfus the daughter of Deacon Christian Stoltzfus of Union County (see last month's issue). (41) Barbara Stoltzfus (38), married to Benjamin King. Barbara died a few years after their marriage. Benjamin then married his second wife, Lydia Zook daughter of Saul Levi Zook of Mifflin County, Pennsylvania.

Tradition says, as was often repeated by Benjamin to his children in later years, that when his first wife died he felt rather unfortunate and somewhat depressed, so finally decided to make a trip to Mifflin County by horseback to begin life anew, which was a distance of about one hundred forty miles. Upon arriving at Reedsville and not knowing the exact location of his destination his thoughts were again immersed in a deep and spiritual meditation and then in turn submitting himself to the will of his horse by dropping the reins, the horse immediately turned to direction of the David Zook family in the vicinity of Belleville. Upon arriving at the Zook home and after some discussions one of the girls, Lydia Zook, age seventeen, apreed to his will and were married on March 11, 1832. There were twelve children born to this union. In 1861 tragedy again struck this family by an epidemic of Typhoid Fever. Lydia, the mother, died April 25, 1861; Benjamin King, the father, died June 16, 1861; Catharine, a daughter, died August 4, 1861; Saloma, a daughter, died August 15, 1861; David, the oldest and married, died August 18, 1861, so you see five in one family died in four months time.

(42) John Stoltzfus (38), better known as "Preacher Groffdale John," married first to Elizabeth Umble, daughter of John and Mary or Polly (Kurtz) Umble; he married second to Elizabeth Nafzinger and lived on the farm now owned by Deacon Emanuel Lapp. There appeared an article on this family in the July 1973 issue of The Diary.

(43) Samuel Stoltzfus (38), married to Susanna Beiler; (44) Rebecca Stoltzfus (38), married to Christian Beiler who was ordained deacon in the Middle Pequea District of Lancaster County; (45) Anna Stoltzfus (38), married to Samuel Lapp, the grandparents of the late Bishop Benjamin Lapp of Leola; (46) Christian Stoltzfus (38), married to Katie Kurtz. He was ordained a deacon and lived on the present Israel Swarey farm as mentioned before. They were great-grandparents to the writer. (47) Susanna Stoltzfus (38), married to John Lapp. They lived at Irishtown where Deacon Christ Lapp now lives, who is a great-grandson.

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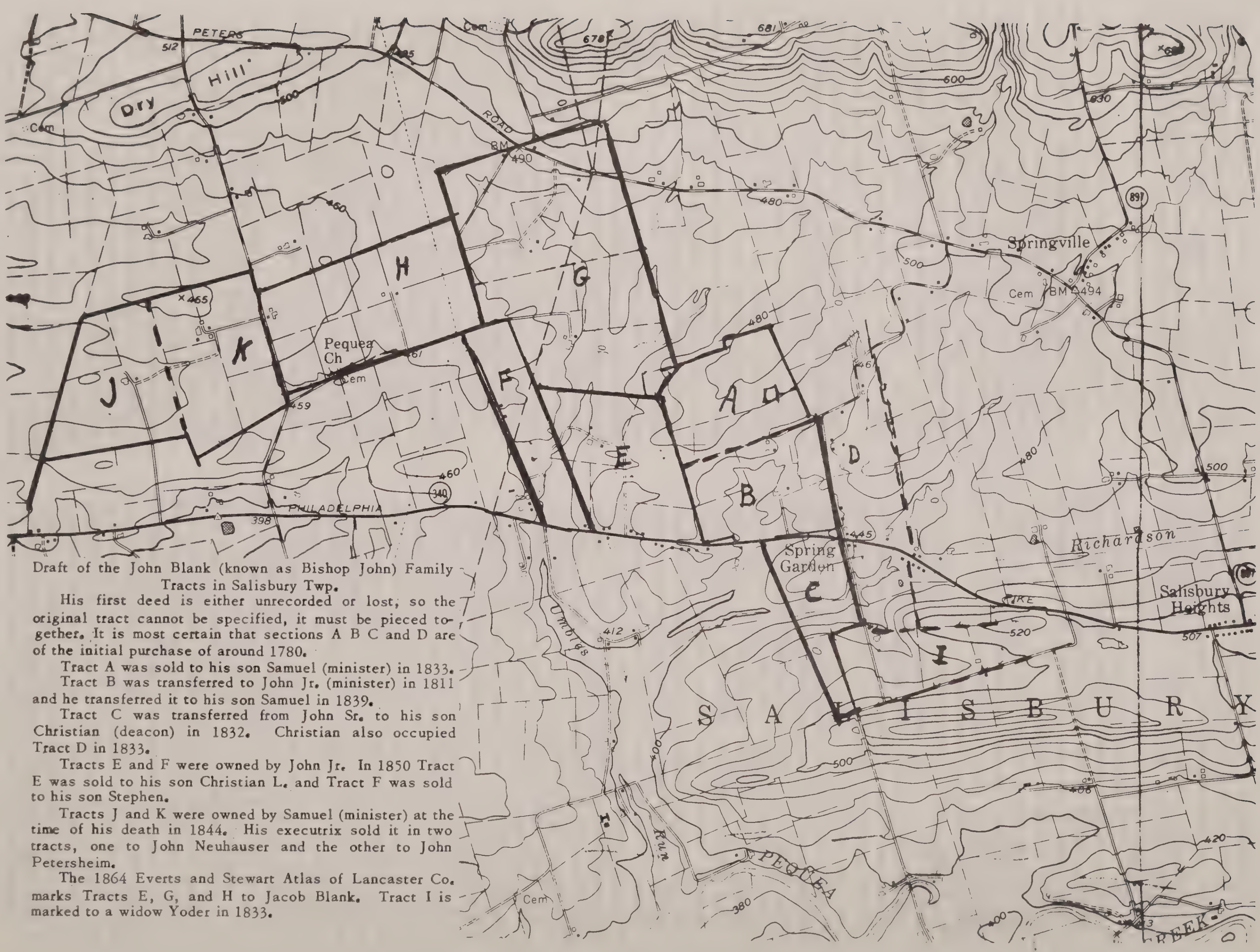
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Draft of the John Blank (known as Bishop John) Family Tracts in Salisbury Twp.

His first deed is either unrecorded or lost, so the original tract cannot be specified, it must be pieced together. It is most certain that sections A B C and D are of the initial purchase of around 1780.

Tract A was sold to his son Samuel (minister) in 1833.

Tract B was transferred to John Jr. (minister) in 1811 and he transferred it to his son Samuel in 1839.

Tract C was transferred from John Sr. to his son Christian (deacon) in 1832. Christian also occupied Tract D in 1833.

Tracts E and F were owned by John Jr. In 1850 Tract E was sold to his son Christian L. and Tract F was sold to his son Stephen.

Tracts J and K were owned by Samuel (minister) at the time of his death in 1844. His executrix sold it in two tracts, one to John Neuhauser and the other to John Petersheim.

The 1864 Everts and Stewart Atlas of Lancaster Co. marks Tracts E, G, and H to Jacob Blank. Tract I is marked to a widow Yoder in 1833.

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THE AMISH MENNONITES OF UNION COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

John Umble

I. Social and Religious Life

Continued from last month

The elaborate preparation made for entertaining the meeting is indicated by a young woman's diary for 1875. In that year the meeting assembled at her home on April 11 and September 12. A part of the activity prior to April 11 may be due to the spring house-cleaning, but it seems to have been a trifle early for that annual upheavel because according to the diary, a foot of snow fell on April 13. Extracts from the diary show the thorough preparation made for meeting. Not a speck of dust or a trace of housewifely carelessness must reamin, not even in remote corners that no visitor would investigate. "Whitewashed our sleeping room and the porch upstairs and cleaned the garret." "Scrubbed the whole house from the garret to the cellar." "Blacked the coal stove and cleaned some yard." "Ammon Reedy cleaned the clocks." "Binding carpet this A.M." "Cleaned the front yard. Cut paper for the corner cupboard." "Mother was up to help white wash the room and the kitchen. Cleaned some yard." "Cleaned and scoured the tin ware and iron ware, crocks and crock lids and the tubs." "Whitewashed pale fence this A.M." "Cleaned the back porch, whitewashed it and washed it off." Whitewashed fence after supper, snitzed apples for pie, and made yeast." "Baked thirteen loaves of bread and forty-four pies." "Took the carpet out of the room and put the benches in." "Churned butter and cooked red beets." "Blackened the kitchen stove. Swept the cellar. Scrubbed the kitchen and the back porch." In addition there is a full page for Saturday, dealing with final preparations and ending with, "Got the dishes ready for preaching."

The entry for the Monday following includes, "Put the dishes away. Arranged the corner cupboard. Dusted the chairs. Put the benches away. Tidied up the room. Laid the carpet. Sewed it together and tacked it down."

When Sunday morning arrived the plain square carriages covered with brownish yellow oil-cloth conveyed the members and their families to meeting. The yellow oil-cloth was home-made. Strips of muslin were tacked on the side of the barn, painted and allowed to dry and then used for covers for a vehicle top. The carriage had no windows and could be entered only from the front. To mount the vehicle one used a step depending from the shafts in front of the fore wheel. Next one placed a foot on the singletree and finally stepped into the carriage. Access to the rear seat was gained by pulling forward the back rest of the fore seat and stepping over it into the rear part of the carriage. Dashboard and whip socket were prohibited by a standing rule of the congregation. No windows or any other worldly decoration or convenience were permitted. Paint was of one solid color.

In the case of windows one exception was made. Samuel Kennel, carpenter and cabinet maker, was coffin-maker for the congregation and used his carriage as a hearse. On one occasion he preceded the funeral procession as usual and did not learn that an accident to one of the carriages had stopped all of the other vehicles until he was a half mile or more in advance. To prevent a recurrence of this embarrassing situation he inserted a very small pane of window glass in the rear of his carriage. Self-appointed guardians of the purity of the church at once brought the matter before the congregation. But the ministers agreed, and the congregation voted, to allow this exception to be made for the reason stated.

When the yellow carriages arrived at the place of meeting on Sunday morning, friendly greetings were exchanged on every hand. Eager young hostlers assumed charge of the conveyances, unhitched the horses and ranged them in the spacious stables, carefully placing fence rails or poles between the animals so that they would not kick or otherwise molest each other. The hostlers, usually five or six in number, were boys and young men of Amish families, who had not yet united with the church. In the afternoon or evening when the members were ready to return home, all that was necessary was to make it known to the hostlers who brought out the teams and hitched them to the carriages. They also fed and watered the horses at the noon hour.

While the late comers were arriving, some of the men and boys stood outside and visited for a time. The more pious and reverent found seats within at once, the men and boys in one room, the women and girls in another, ranged on benches of various heights and lengths, but all without back rests of any kind. At the proper time, but not before one of the ministers had arrived, some lay member announced a hymn from the AUSBUND, always referred to as "Des dicke Liederbuch." To elect or appoint a regular chorister or to have him rise to lead a hymn would smack too much of the practices of the "worldly" churches. From anywhere in the room, therefore, some self-appointed chorister would announce the opening hymn, "O Gott Vater, wir preisen dich." After he had sung several measures, the congregation one by one would join in the hymn. The tune was usually pitched too high and many of the melodies were in a minor strain, a melancholy wail of distress, reminiscent of the days of bitter persecution in Europe. When the chorister reached the end of a stanza, he sang the first note of the next while the congregation prolonged the last note of the other for many seconds.

Meanwhile the ministers retired to an upstairs room for counsel, for the "Abrath" (pronounced oprote). Here various matters were discussed and the order of services decided upon for the day. If the ministers appeared downstairs before the conclusion of the long first hymn, services began at once; if not, a second hymn would be announced by the same or another lay member and the singing continued until the ministers appeared.

The service proper began with the reading by a minister, a "Diener," of an entire chapter accompanied by running comment, often the equivalent of a fairly long sermon. At the conclusion of this reading came the period of silent prayer during which every member knelt, facing about and resting his elbows on the bench that had served him for a seat. Another hymn followed this period of prayer. Then came the sermon. In Union county none but "Voelliger Diener" Elias Riehl had had any but the barest rudiments of education. The sermons were well-meant, but, except Riehl's were long, dry and uninspiring. Survivors of the congregation recall that the efforts of "Diener" Christian King too often wandered into a tirade against worldliness, dealing largely with externals, and that "Diener" Andrew Miller, pious, beloved soul though he was, rarely got beyond the repetition of his two sermons: "Lazarus in Abraham's Bosom" and "The Foolish Virgins." Both King and Miller read all their public prayers from the German prayer book.

After the sermon, followed an audible prayer by the minister who had preached the sermon, the audience kneeling as before. Bishop Elias Riehl did not use the prayer book. As he knelt in prayer, eyes closed, head thrown back, body swaying and rocking, he poured forth impromptu floods of eloquence of great power and beauty as he implored the divine favor on his congregation.

At the conclusion of the prayer the minister who had delivered the sermon stated, after confessing that he had spoken in weakness, that he would "give further liberty." All the ministers from the "Voelliger Diener" down to the youngest "Armendiener" then gave witness or testimony ("Zeugniss") to the truth of the sermon. In its briefest form such a testimony consisted of the statement that the speaker could say "Yea and amen" to the truth presented, so far as he had understood it, and that he extended "further liberty." But the one testifying might extend his remarks to a review of the sermon or he might even wander off into a small-sized sermon of his own on quite another topic. The bishop frequently called on lay members (men) of the congregation to give testimony to the sermon. They might ask to be excused, and some did so, but Samuel Kennel, Joel Riehl, and others, developed a certain measure of fluency in this type of informal exhortations.

There were occasions to be sure when a testimony was by no means confined to "yea and amen." An incident is related of "Armendiener" Christian Stoltzfus which illustrates dissent from a sermon and also Stoltzfus' conception of his duty as a deacon in maintaining peace and unity within the congregation. Stoltzfus' son-in-law, "Diener" Christian King, preached the sermon on this particular Sunday. It was during the troubled time when "Voelliger Diener" Riehl was accused of shielding his sons who, as some thought, had disturbed the fellowship of the congregation. In the course of King's remarks, he became quite personal even stating that a "Voelliger Diener" should be "straight," and that he should be entirely impartial even though it should necessitate disciplining his own children. Bishop Riehl kept glancing up at him, edging away to the end of the bench, and shaking his head. King looked down at him and exclaimed, "Ja, du schuettelst den Kopf, avver du kannst's net verleugnen." When Stoltzfus arose to give testimony to his son-in-law's sermon, he mildly stated that one should exercise great care in judging the motives of another. Stoltzfus' testimonies are remembered, however, not only for their mild, peaceful tone, but also for their length. One former resident of Union county recalls that "Christley generally used all of his share of the time, and then some."

It is only fair to say in this connection that in spite of the mournful hymn tunes, the long prayers and sermons and the almost interminable testimonies, there was much practical Christian teaching, practical piety, business honesty, and social purity among these Amish. It should be added, too, that the worship was not so different from that of some other denominations during the nineteenth century, when short prayers and sermons were practically unknown and spirited hymn tunes had not come into general favor.

After the last long testimony was over, the deacon arose to announce where meeting would be held in two weeks. A closing hymn dismissed the congregation, and the service closed without either doxology or benediction.

Sunday services with the attendant social exercises were held every two weeks. The intervening Sunday was spent in visiting. Sabbath observance does not seem to have been quite so strict among the Amish in Union county as it was among the German Evangelicals in the neighborhood. Deacon Christian Stoltzfus seems to have forbidden certain Sunday diversions to his boys more out of deference to the opinion of his neighbors than from any scruples of his own. On Sunday morning, for instance, when his German Evangelical neighbors were passing by his home on their way to the Salem meeting house, the deacon's boys were forbidden to crack hickory nuts because he "did not want to have the Evangelicals hearing any pounding in his workshop on Sunday." The deacon's boys were allowed to fish and gather chestnuts on Sunday provided they did not disturb the Sunday quiet. There is some evidence to show that others in the congregation were stricter than he. A member happening upon one of his son's whistling in the yard on Sunday evening, gave him a sound thrashing. To whistle on Sunday was forbidden not only in most Amish homes but in many other Christian homes as well.

Although the social activities of the Amish young people as a group were held on Sunday and were tied up in a certain sense with the religious services, they participated also in the general social life of the community. One social custom was the holding of suppers. These were in part commercial. A young man wishing to make a little spending money would secure permission from a neighboring family to hold a social or supper in their home. He would purchase crackers and oysters, or ice-cream and cake, or strawberries, cream and cake, according to the season. The entire country-side would then be notified and the price of admission entitled all comers to eat all they wished. The family entertaining the supper was served free. Deacon Christian Stoltzfus' home was open to these suppers.

The regular bi-weekly Sunday evening singings were attended only by the Amish young people. But weekday singings in which all the young people of the community took part were organized in the school houses. Usually the instructor charged a small fee for a twelve weeks' term. In these singing schools many of the Amish people in Union county learned the rudiments of music and four-part singing. Some Amish parents refused to allow their young people to attend.

To be continued

(Editor's note: Parts of this text which refer to Amish customs in general and are not pertinent to Union County history have been omitted. S. F.)

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One more note of the Blanks. From the Revolutionary War records we find that John Blank was absent in 1777, 1778 and 1779 in the muster roll as well as the field call both in spring and fall of each year. According to the Lancaster County company captains' report Blank takes the excuse that he is a poor man and has a large family of small children. In 1780 he is listed with Jacob Blank in the militia fine book, paying six pounds, seven shillings and six pence fine. Jacob was fined a straight five pounds fine.

Without doubt this was John Jr., better known as Bishop John, while he yet lived in Cocalico Township. The militia records do not state the township in which he lived, but with the fellow group in which he is listed we can be sure that it was Cocalico Township.

Joseph F. Beiler

REVOLUTIONARY WAR RECORDS

Until recently few of us have realized the effects of the Revolutionary War to our virgin colony or colonies in America. A year ago we have said and we still maintain that the revolution has disturbed and distracted our fatherland much more than the Indian massacres. For quite a few years we have noticed that most of our initial ancestor families in America have not raised more than one son to remain in the old faith. Some have not kept any sons in the church, some have kept a few, but not one record do we have that kept the whole family within before the revolution. After that there are some. It is evident that many sons who came to this land of freedom were overwhelmed with the air of freedom in America during the revolution period. After the war there was a steady flow of Amish converts to the Tunkerts or Brethren, German Baptists and even to the Lutherans as well as the Moravians. We have no record of a Mennonite congregation in this part of Berks County at this time. Certainly the Revolutionary War has influenced our colony in more than one way.

We have no doubt that our fatherland congregation was 100% objective to any war and especially the revolution because our fathers did not want to strive against the English government who had invited them and provided for them to come to America plus the fact that they had signed an allegiance to the king of England upon arriving at this American port. Perhaps the actual inducement for our sons to join the American army was not as great as other benefits such as premiums paid for farm produce and farm animals to be used for military needs which were not tolerated by the church, sidetracked more young men and other benefits were offered which effected the young generation who now lived in a free country.

The earliest accounts of how the Revolutionary War effected this young colony were published by C. Z. Mast, "Annals of Conestoga Valley" in 1942. Page 201 relates an incident where five or six men were severely tried and imprisoned but released after an appeal by a certain pastor. A date or set time is not given but perhaps it was early in the 1780s. If they were absent on the muster roll in 1777 and 1778 they were notified to appear in 1779. If they did not appear in 1779 they were subject to a fine. Evidently these five men conscientiously objected to these fines and were imprisoned afterwards. It can be estimated according to militia records that a vast majority of our men paid the fine.

Early in 1974 during a visit with a historian in Berks County, Pennsylvania he introduced a book of records of militia fines paid in southeastern Pennsylvania which are recorded in London. These records are not so extensive as to reach many of our ancestors. Whereby John Joseph Stoudt of Fleetwood, Pennsulvania has informed us that there are many records in the Pennsylvania archives at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania that do cover many counties of southeastern Pennsylvania and are more extensive. While checking into it last spring we found that a rich source of information exists in these records, of the early Amish and Mennonites here concerning Revolutionary War militia fines. About the same time we learned that a Mennonite staff at Eastern Mennonite College are already searching these records, which will be published. Following this publication we will resume our search which will enable us to release numerous militia fine records of members of our fatherland.

Joseph F. Beiler

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

Supplement to the Detweiler Family

(See 1974 Diary page 240)

From a brief history of the Amish Mennonites in Canada by L. J. Burkholder, Marham, Ontario (1935) we have notes of Detweilers in America other than the ones listed in our previous article. There are two sources to Detweilers listed in Canada, one comes from Bucks County, Pennsylvania who were most certainly Mennonites and another who were of Amish origin. A minister, Henry Detweiler, was born near Bloomingdale, Ontario, was married to Matilda Snyder, and was ordained in 1874. In 1870 they moved to Huron County, Ontario; in 1893 they moved to Midland, Fauquier County, Virginia where he died.

We also have notes of our previous Detweiler family in the militia records of Berks County, Pennsylvania received by Jacob Morgan (founder of Morgantown), County Lieutenant. Rudolph Detweiler was absent in the muster roll and field call in 1777–1778 and paid a total fine of 21 pounds. Christian Detweiler was absent in 1779 and paid a total fine of eight pounds and five shillings. Perhaps the age of Christian can be calculated by these figures. According to an act of 1777, all able bodied men between the age of eighteen and fifty three were required to enroll in the Pennsylvania militia.

Other Detweilers listed in this Berks County record are John Detweiler and Jacob Tidweiler who were absent in 1777–1778 and paid two pounds and five shillings and seven pounds and six shillings respectively. If the latter two were of our line is to be found out yet.

Joseph F. Beiler

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OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

Supplement to the Blank Families

(See 1974 Diary pages 168, 192 and 216)

About the time of closing the previous Blank articles an important identification was found by one of our historical staff on a John Blank deed. The deed has a title of Hans H. Blank. This find has enabled us to clearly separate the two Blank families who at first lived in our Fatherland region and both settled in Salisbury Township, Lancaster County later. It is also a guidepost to separate five John Blanks who have lived at one time in our area, four of whom have lived in Salisbury Township. The early documents were written Hans Blank or Blanck, the county records are filed as John Blank or Blanck and not until the second or third generation do we find Planks and there are some of these in both families, so the families cannot be distinguished by their surname spellings until in later generations.

It is clear that the Hans H. Blank is the senior Blank in Cocalico Township, Lancaster County. This also blends perfectly with the St. Andrews 1752 shiplist which includes at least two of his sons.

It is a very rare find for an Amish immigrant to use a middle name. Even though it was a strong Swiss tradition for women as well as men to use middle names in the eighteenth century it rarely occurred that our fathers used it in America. This one is a strong indication that the Blank families were numerous in the Montbeliard section in France and that a middle name was used to identify this certain family. It also makes it seem more likely that both of our Blank families lived in this section of Europe before migrating, and that a need for a middle name in America was evident since they lived only about 15 miles apart in Penn's Woods.

Another suggestion we can make from this find is that his father's name was also Hans. This is a strong Swiss tradition that a male will carry the middle name of his father. It is still in practice today in Switzerland and it has been followed closely yet in our generation in most or all Amish communities west of the Alleghenies. Some of the Mifflin County, Pennsylvania folks use this method also but many have used the eastern method from near the beginning. The eastern method of using the mother's maiden name is not a Swiss or German-Swiss tradition. We are not sure that it was an European tradition at all but it was likely adopted from the American English which frequently use the maiden name method. We will note that our early presidents and other prominent families used this method for a middle name. Among the first Amish families in America we have on record to use a middle name were the Jacob Kauffman family, the John Yoder family and the Bishop Hans Beiler family. Jacob Kauffman Jr. used a B. for his middle initial which may represent Beiler and Solomon Beiler used D. which represents Detweiler. Of course there were others but not until in the beginning of the nineteenth century.

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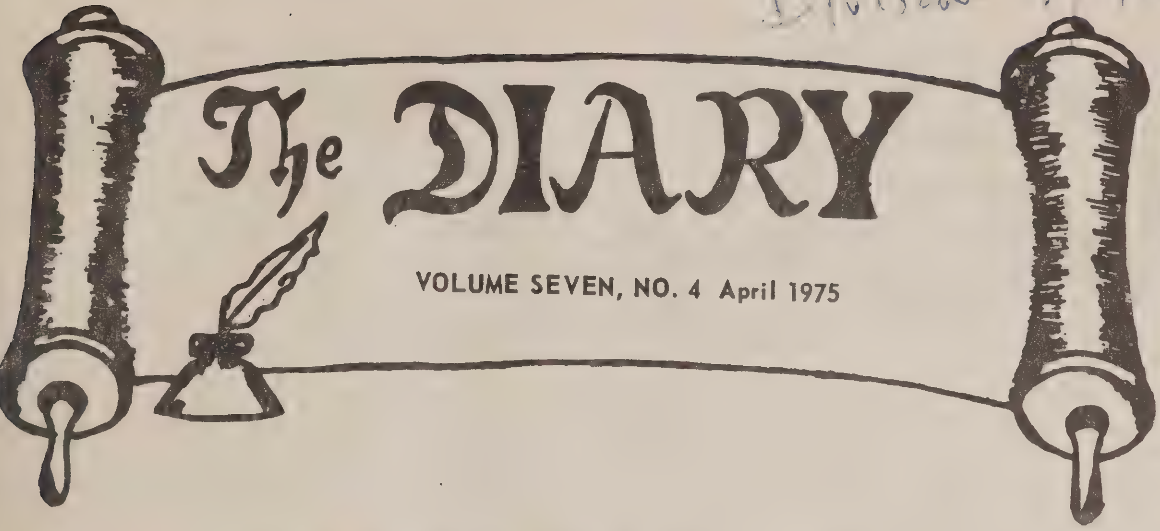

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INJURIES FROM FALL FATAL TO IND. LAD

Mark Allen, one-year-old son of Marvin and Sylvia (Schmucker) Mast, Etna Green, was fatally injured when he fell down the stairs of their home while playing Monday, April 21st. He didn't appear to be hurt much till the next day when he started crying and acted as though his head hurt, then soon blacked out. They took him to a doctor who sent them to the South Bend Hospital, where they checked him and didn't give them much hope for his life. He was there from Tuesday evening till Saturday when he died of a brain injury. He had never regained consciousness. (See obituary)

TRUCK HAS MISHAP ON WAY TO MINN.

Sam W. Schrock and family moved to Wadena, Minn. from Macon, Mo. on April 17th. They had two semi trucks loaded with their belongs. Sam's son, Dan Schrock, rode with one of the truck drivers. While going down a steep hill the driver couldn't hold the truck and it slid. They came to a T road, had to turn and the truck turned over into the river. It killed three cows and two horses, and another horse had to be killed later. Dan got out through the broken windshield, swam out of the river and stopped a car for help. He had a broken shoulder and was taken to the hospital by ambulance. Some horses were swimming in the river. The driver's foot got caught that they had to work about fifty minutes to get him out of the truck. He just had his head sticking up above the water. This happened at Jackson, Minn., near the Iowa line. Folks came from Macon, Mo. and Wadena, Minn. to help reload the machinery and get things straightened out. Dan Schrock was released from the hospital April 19th.

COMMUNITY NOTE – McClure, Pa.

Rudy J., age 18, son of John Y. Speicher, was kicked by a young driving horse while trying to put salve on his hoof. He received a broken arm, is to have it in a cast for at least six weeks.

IND. YOUTH HURT IN SAWMILL ACCIDENT

Gaylord, age 17, son of Pre. and Mrs. Ernest Miller, of Middlebury, was riding the carriage of his dad's sawmill Tuesday, April 11th at 11:05, when he was accidentally thrown off and fell with his face into the saw. One arm was partly severed. He was taken to Elkhart Hospital for blood and first aid, then flown by helicopter to Medical University Hospital in Indianapolis, where he was in surgery for twelve hours. He also lost one eye. He is still in intensive care and under sedatives.

CHILD INJURED IN TRACTOR ACCIDENT

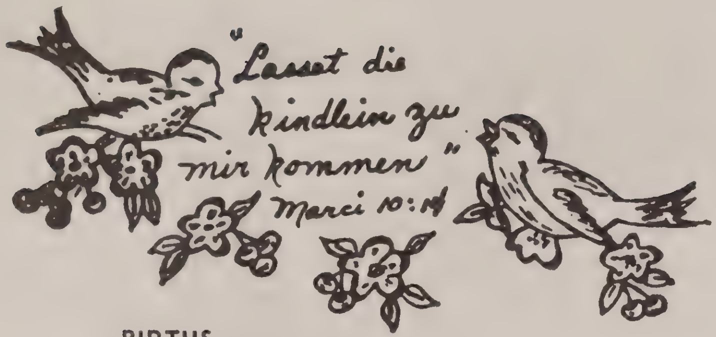
Jacob, small son of Amos and Barbara (Borntrager) Hochstetler, of Anabel, Mo., was run over by the tractor his father was driving April 30th. A front wheel passed over his head causing three skull fractures. Amos did not notice it till after it had happened. He was taken to the University Hospital in Columbia, where he remains in fair condition.

WAYNE CO., OHIO HOUSE FIRE

John W. and Ella (Miller) Hochstetler had their house on fire Saturday evening, April 13th at 8:30 p.m. The fire started when an oil stove exploded, their oldest daughter had put gas in the oven tank by mistake. Their things in the cellar were saved, and a little of the furniture. Plans were for them to have the Amos Miller District church services there on Sunday so plans had to be changed, but they had not put the benches in yet. Within a week's time they had their new house under roof. They have nine children, oldest is 13 years and the youngest eight weeks old.

GEAUGA CO., OHIO MISHAP

Levi S. Yoder was grinding meat alone at night when he got his finger in the grinder, which took off the forepart and a small piece of bone, but missed the nail. He was taken to Geauga Hospital where they dressed it that night, and the next day they fixed it up. He is at home and working again.



BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Amos S. (Sadie Lapp) Ronks R1
a son EMANUEL, April 29

BEILER, John F. (Leah Lapp) Kinzers R1
a son RAYMOND L., March 4

ESH, Daniel K. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3
a daughter REBECCA S., April 28

ESH, David L. (Annie Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a son DAVID L. JR., April 24

ESH, Emanuel Jr. (Katie L. Stoltzfoos) Ronks R1
a son MOSES S., April 6

ESH, Jesse (Malinda Stoltzfus) Narvon R1
a daughter EMMA

ESH, John M. (Sarah L. Smucker) Narvon R1
a daughter RUTH S., April 21

FISHER, David L. (Ruth Ann Stoltzfus) New Holland R3, a daughter HANNAH RUTH, April 19

FISHER, Elam E. (Barbara King) Honey Brook R1
a son AARON, April 14

FISHER, Emanuel S. (Katie Stoltzfus) Narvon R2
a son STEPHEN J., April 6

FISHER, Roy S. (Sylvia S. Lapp) Quarryville R3
a daughter FANNIE L., April 2

GLICK, Aaron K. (Elizabeth Beiler) New Holland R2
a son MERVIN B., March 6

GLICK, Daniel K. (Emma S. Stoltzfus) 88 Geist Rd., Lancaster, a son MARK S., April 29

GLICK, Isaiah S. (Arianna Stoltzfus) 2409 Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, a daughter SALLY, April 20

KING, Aaron G. (Annie L. Beiler) 2050 Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, a son JONAS B., April 10

LANTZ, David S. (Sarah S. Stoltzfus) 1350 Hunsecker Rd., Lancaster, a son AARON L., April 7

LAPP, Isaac S. (Emma S. Kauffman) Ronks R1
a daughter ANNIE K., April 17

LAPP, Samuel F. (Amanda Blank) Leola R1
a daughter SARAH B., April 23

MILLER, Christian B. (Rebecca Beiler) 584 Gibbons Rd., Bird-in-Hand R1, a son ALLEN, April 20

MILLER, David R. (Naomi S. Glick) 41 W. Eby Rd., a daughter FANNIE, April 10

PETERSHEIM, Christ L. (Sarah King) Clearview Rd., Lancaster R4, a daughter FANNIE, April 24

STOLTZFUS, Amos B. (Annie Stoltzfus) Gap R1
a daughter ELSIE MAE, April 12

STOLTZFUS, Ben (Sadie Stoltzfus) 384 E. Main St., Leola, a daughter ANNA, April 4

STOLTZFUS, Daniel (Rebecca Glick) Honey Brook R2, a daughter BARBARA, April 15

STOLTZFUS, Daniel K. (Hannah Lapp) Gordonville R1, a son JOHN MARK, April 11

STOLTZFUS, Daniel U. (Rebecca Glick) Honey Brook R1, a daughter MALINDA, April 8

STOLTZFUS, Elam M. (Lydia Ann Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1, a son STEPHEN THOMAS, April 13

STOLTZFUS, Ephraim (Rebecca Riehl) Narvon R2
a daughter REBECCA R., April 1

ZOOK, Amos (Mary Lapp) Strasburg R1
a son LEROY L., April 6

Dover, Delaware

MAST, Elmer (Fannie Yoder) Dover R5
a daughter VERNA, April 15

St, Mary's County, Maryland

KING, Samuel (Elizabeth Yoder) Mechanicsville
a daughter MARY, April 29

STOLTZFUS, Ben L. (Mary Hostetler) Mechanicsville
a a daughter HANNAH, April 11

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

LAPP, Aaron (Fannie Lapp) Myerstown R2
a daughter SARA ANN, April 5

Bradford County, Pennsylvania

YODER, Ammon (Ida Mae Miller) Little Meadow
a son AARON, March 29

Montour County, Pennsylvania

FISHER, Jacob (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Danville R3
a daughter ANNIE, April 21

STOLTZFUS, Jacob (Rachel Zook) Danville R3
a daughter SADIE, April 10

Snyder County, Pennsylvania

TROYER, John (Lydia Peachey) Mt. Pleasant Mills
a daughter ELIZABETH, April 1

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

YODER, David (Matilda Peachey) Belleville
a son HARVEY, April 23

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Joe B. (Mary Troyer)
a son RAYMOND, March 1

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Conewango Valley, New York

BYLER, Raymond (Elizabeth Troyer)
a son DANIEL, April 3
DETWEILER, John '(Ada Shetler)
a son BENNIE, January 16
KAUFFMAN, Neil C.. (Elizabeth Detweiler)
a daughter BARBARA, February 23
MILLER, Andy and Edna
a son AMMON, March 16
MILLER, Emanuel Y.. (Katie Raber)
a daughter SUSAN, March 29
MILLER, John (Clara Shetler)
a son DANIEL, January 17
MILLER, Roman (Amanda Shetler)
a daughter MARY, February
SHETLER, Andy L.. (Iva Miller)
a daughter ADA, March 31
SHETLER, Joe (Anna Wengerd)
a daughter AMANDA, January 22
SHETLER, John M. (Susan Troyer)
a son ELI, January 23
TROYER, Dannie (Effie Miller)
a daughter MIRIAM, March 27
YODER, Levi J.. (Sarah Miller)
a son SAMUEL, January 24

Geauga County, Ohio

BONTRAGER, Mr. and Mrs. Lee
a son
BYLER, Alvin A.. (Mary Miller)
a daughter LAURA, March 22
BYLER, Jake A. (Iva Wengerd)
a daughter
BYLER, John J.. (Fannie Troyer)
a son, March 10
BYLER, Levi J. and wife
a son, April 13
BYLER, Melvin A. (Esther Detweiler)
a son in March
DETWEILER, Menno W. and wife
a son, April 30
FISHER, Neil W. (Wilma Miller)
a daughter MALINDA, March 11
GINGERICH, Ervin, Jr. (Ida Weaver)
a son PAUL, April 13
GINGERICH, Lester J.. (Mattie Miller)
a daughter WILMA, March 11
GINGERICH, Ray J.. (Catherine Miller)
a son DAVID, March 30
HOSTETLER, Melvin D. and wife
a son MICHAEL
KAUFFMAN, Andy S. (Emma Byler)
a daughter CLARA, March 22
KEMPF, Harvey (Katie Yoder)
a daughter RUTH, March 13
MAST, John Henry and wife
a daughter CATHERINE, March 13
MILLER, Daniel and wife
a son, April 30
MILLER, Jeremiah and wife
a son
MILLER, Noah C. (Becky Miller)
a son ERVIN, March 18
MILLER, Ura [illegible] (Lydia Byler)
a daughter BARBARA,
MILLER, Willis and wife
a son April 25
MILLER, Wm A. C. (Amanda Troyer)
a son, March 8
TROYER, Mose J.. (Emma Glick)
a daughter ROSEANNA
TROYER, Mose R.. (Lydia Coblentz)
a son DANIEL
WEAVER, Jake P.. (Linda Byler)
a son PAUL, April 22
WEAVER, Joe L.. (Mary Ann Miller)
a son SAMUEL
YODER, Eli S.. (Katie Miller)
a son ELI, April 26
YODER, Ervin L.. (Lydia U. Byler)
a son AARON, March 5

Holmes County, Ohio

BEACHY, Paul A. (Esther Miller) Berlin
a son JOSEPH, March 25
MAST, Levi S. (Lydiann Hostetler) Fredericksburg
a daughter MAE, April 26
MAST, Willis (Mattie Yoder) Sugarcreek R1
a son DAVID, March 27
MILLER, Raymond D. (Edna Barkman) Baltic R1
a daughter MARY,
RABER, Levi E.. (Emma Miller) Millersburg R3
a son ADEN, April 18
SHETLER, Marion (Ruth Hostetler)
a daughter, April 20
SWARTZENTRUBER, Alvin (Lucy Troyer)
a son ROBERT, April 15
WEAVER, Dan B.. (Barbara Weaver) Holmesville R1
a son MARVIN, April 13
YODER, Abe (Mary Troyer) Fresno R1
a son MAHLON, April 15
YODER, Abe (Barbara Troyer) Mt. Hope
a son STEVEN, April 16
YODER, Andy J. (Esther Troyer) Baltic R1
a daughter MARY, April 21
YODER, Dan E. (Mattie Yoder) Baltic R1
a son HARVEY, March 30

Wayne County, Ohio

CHUPP, Lester (Esther Troyer) Apple Creek R1
a daughter CHRISTINA, March 27
MILLER, Joe A. J.. (Ella Troyer) Apple Creek R2
a daughter, April 30
MILLER, Yost (Mary Raber) Big Prairie R1
a daughter AMANDA, March 24
TROYER, Daniel A. M. (Betty Yutzy) Apple Creek R1
a daughter LINDA, March
TROYER, John L.. (Ada Graber) Orrville R3
a daughter EDNA, April 12
YODER, Eli J.. (Anna Wengerd) Fredericksburg R2
a daughter EFFIE, March 27

Hicksville, Ohio

MILLER, Ray and Velma
a son EUGENE, April 23

Ashland County, Ohio

GARBER, Daniel (Mary Ann Keim) Ashland R1
a son NATHANIEL, March 13
KEIM, Ammon (Mattie Troyer) Shiloh R2
a son ADEN, March 18
KEIM, John (Laura Yoder) Ashland R5
a daughter ADA, March 19
MILLER, Henry (Katie Troyer) Ashland R1
a daughter SALOMA, April 14
MILLER, Noah (Malinda Troyer) Ashland R1
a daughter EDNA, April 14
MILLER, Sam (Katie Troyer) Shiloh R1
a daughter KATIE
RABER, Abe (Fannie Keim) Ashland R5
a son JOE, April 11
YODER, Dannie (Amanda Hershberger) Shiloh
a son PAUL, March 22

Bronson, Michigan

BORNTRAGER, Truman (Martha Yoder)
a son SIMON, April 18

Centreville, Michigan

HOCHSTETLER, Melvin (Orpha Bontrager) Sturgis
a son NATHANAEL, March 24
YODER, Marvin (Sylvia Bontrager) Centreville
a daughter PAULINE ANN, April 6

Camden, Michigan

SCHWARTZ, Jake (Rebecca Eicher)
a son CLETUS, April 7

Branch County, Michigan

GRABER, Mose (Margaret Schwartz)
a son JACOB, April 15

Allen County, Indiana

BRANDENBERGER, William (Mary Schwartz)
a son WILLIAM, JR., April 29
GRABER, David (Mary Ann Graber)
twins MARY & MARIE, April 3
GRABER, Irvin (Martha Lou Eicher)
a son JACOB, March
GRABER, Joseph (Elizabeth Graber)
a son HENRY, March 24
LENGACHER, David (Rebecca Graber)
a daughter AMANDA, April 7
LENGACHER, Melvin (Ruby Graber)
a daughter NAOMI, April 19
MILLER, Amos (Rebecca Schmucker)
a son JONAS, March 17

Adams County, Indiana

GRABER, Christ R. (Mattie Bontrager) Geneva R2
a daughter SUSIE, April 18
GRABER, Jonas J. (Mattie Lambright) Geneva R2
a son HENRY, April 6
HILTY, Jerome A. (Bertha Miller) Berne R1
a daughter LAURA, April 22
HILTY, John K. (Sarah H. Schwartz) Geneva R2
a daughter KATHERINE, April 29
HILTY, Joni E. (Emma Graber) Geneva R2
a son JONI, April 19
NEUENSCHWANDER, Pete (Naomi Eicher) Geneva R1
a daughter PRISCILLA, February 21
SCHWARTZ, Carl N. (Emma Wickey) Monroe R1
a daughter KATHERINE, April 18
SCHWARTZ, Henry H. (Barbara Graber) Geneva R2
a son DANIEL, March 23
SCHWARTZ, Jacob W. (Fannie Zook) Monroe R1
a son JOE, March 16
SCHWARTZ, Jake T. (Rosa B. Schwartz) Monroe R1
a son WILLIAM, March 28
SCHWARTZ, Paul H. (Mandy Shetler) Monroe R1
a son LEVI, April 4
SCHWARTZ, Pete E. (Josehpine E. Girod) Geneva R2
a son AMOS, March 31
SCHWARTZ, Raymond N. (Emma Eicher) Geneva R2
a son JOSEPH, March 8
SHETLER, Felty (Sylvia Hilty) Berne R1
a son MOSE, March 16
WENGERD, Danny (Anna Schwartz) Geneva R1
a daughter CHRISTINE, March 11
WICKEY, David L. (Barbara Schwartz) Monroe R1
a daughter ANNA, March 10
WICKEY, Joe S. (Ida Mae Schmucker) Monroe R1
a son JOSEPH, in April
WICKEY, Levi L. (Lizzie Schwartz) Geneva R2
a daughter SUSAN, March 2

LaGrange County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, William (Lettie Eash) LaGrange R3
a son HERMAN, March 24
FRY, Paul D. (Elsie Miller) Topeka R2
a daughter VELDA, April 13
HERSHBERGER, Owen (Verna Yoder) Wolcottville R2
a son KENNETH, April 7
MILLER, Amos J. (Ida Anna Hochstetler) Topeka R2
twins MARLIN & MARY, April 15
MILLER, Chris (Katie Schlabach) Topeka R2
a daughter RETHA, March 22
MILLER, John (Waneta Barkman) Topeka R2
a daughter MARY MAGDELENA, March 31
MILLER, Marvin (Elizabeth Lambright) Wolcottville R2
a daughter ERMA, April 6
MILLER, Perry (Esther Bontrager) Shipshewana R1
twins FREEMAN & FERMAN, April 5
MISHLER, Ora (Mary Miller) Wolcottville R1
a daughter BEULAH, March 22
SCHLABACH, Orla (Mary Beachy) Shipshewana
a son DUANE RAY, April 9
SCHROCK, Mervin (Mary Bontrager) Middlebury R3
a son DANIEL, April
STUTZMAN, Howard (Lena Slabach) Middlebury R3
a son ERIC JAMES, April 10
TROYER, Jacob (Fannie Yoder) LaGrange R1
a son AMOS, March 24
WINGARD, Joseph, Jr. (Betty Bontrager) Shipshewana
a son MILAN, March
YODER, Daniel (Mary Etta Mast) LaGrange R4
a son JOHNNIE RAY, April 9

Elkhart County, Indiana

HERSHBERGER, Ray (Lizzie Miller) Goshen
a son DAVID, April 5
SCHLABACH, Omer (Anna Mae Bontrager) Goshen R1
a daughter, April 20
SCHWARTZ, Edward Ray (Amanda Yoder) Goshen R1
a son HOWARD LEE, March 25
YODER, Levi (Pauline Troyer) Goshen R1
a daughter CHRISTINA SUE, April 18

Arthur, Illinois

CHUPP, Reuben (Fannie Mae Stutzman)
a son ERNEST, April 18
HELMUTH, Ernest (Katie Miller)
a daughter MARIETTA, April 21
HERSCHBERGER, Obey (Lorene Bontrager)
a son DAVID, April 6
KAUFMAN (Clara Miller)
a daughter REBECCA, April 27
KAUFMAN, Reuben (Leah Mast)
a son AARON, April 4
YODER, Joseph (Mary R. Otto)
a daughter MARTHA, April 15

Guthrie, Kentucky

PEACHEY, Paul (Bertha Miller) Guthrie R2
a son MERVIN DANIEL

Lawrence County, Tennessee

HOSTETLER, Eli J. (Lydia E. Gingerich) Ethridge R1, a daughter LENA, April 25
MILLER, Joe C. (Ada H. Gingerich) Ethridge
a daughter ELMA, April 6
TROYER, Peter M. (Lydia A. Yoder) Ethridge R2
a son ANDY, April 6

Garnett, Kansas

SCHROCK, Daniel (Nancy Keim) Welda
a daughter RACHAEL ANN, in April

Audrain County, Missouri

BONTRAGER, Mose E. (Amanda Hershberger) Clark
a son LEVI, April 1
GINGERICH, Ervin D. (Lena Gingerich) Clark
a son URA, April 13
MILLER, Joni J. (Edna Stutzman) Clark
a son EDDIE, in April
PETERSHEIM, Eli J. (Sarah Gingerich) Clark
a son NOAH, April 2

Pike County, Missouri

BURKHOLDER, Jacob C. (Sara Kemp) Curryville
a son JACOB JR., March 27
EICHER, Henry M. (Anna Mast) Bowling Green
a son TOBY, March 19
WAGLER, Jesse (Barbara Schrock) Bowling Green
a daughter EMMA, April 1
YODER, Chriss (Lindy Schwartz) Bowling Green
a son ANDY, April 3
YODER, Henry A. (Rachel Bontrager) Curryville
a son ALVIN, April 16

Marshfield, Missouri

YODER Reuben and Mary, Marshfield R2
a daughter ELIZABETH, April 2

Seymour, Missouri

SCHWARTZ, Joe M. (Katie Wickey) Seymour R1
a son NOAH J. K., April 8

Jamesport, Missouri

YODER, Vernon L. (Fannie Bontrager)
a stillborn son NOAH, April 14

Buchanan County, Iowa

BONTRAGER, Em (Sarah Kurtz) Hazleton
a son ANDY, April 21
GINGERICH, Dan E. (Ida Yutzy) Hazleton
a son JACOB, April 20

Johnson County, Iowa

HERSHBERGER, Isaac (Mary Edna Yoder)
a daughter CATHERINE LOU, April 15

Milton, Iowa

BONTRAGER, Ora C. (Alma Miller)
a son ELDON, April 29
DETWEILER, Mr. and Mrs. Eli
a daughter, April 27

Wilton, Wisconsin

YODER, Merle G. (Sarah Miller)
a daughter MARY, March 20

Aylmer, Ontario

WAGLER, Edwin (Catherine Wagler)
a son PAUL, February 28
WAGLER, Joe (Iva Mae Hochstetler)
a daughter RACHEL, March 4

Norwich, Ontario

SHETLER, Levi D. (Martha G. Miller) Tillsonburg R7
a son URIAH, April 10
STUTZMAN, Levi D. (Sarah L. Stutzman) Norwich R1
a son DANIEL, April 9

Milverton, Ontario

KUEPFER, Amos (Clara Kuepfer)
a daughter NANCY, April 19
KUEPFER, Lloyd (Laura Wagler)
a daughter MARIE, April 21
STREICHER, Levi (Catherine Albrecht)
a a daughter JUDITH, April 17

LANCASTER CO., PA. ACCIDENTS

Sylvan, age 10, son of Ephraim and Fannie (King) Glick, Ronks R1, was injured Saturday evening, April 26th. The manure loader prong ran through his one leg when the brakes failed on the tractor. No bones were broken but stitches were required to close the wound. He spent four days in the hospital.

Melvin Petersheim Jr., age 13, Christiana R1, received injuries in a farm accident Monday evening, April 14th. He had lain down in front of the fertilizer drill to open the holes when his team took off and the drill went over him. He had no broken bones but was stiff and sore and had some internal injuries. The doctors watched him close for four days then released him from the hospital.

HAVEN, KANSAS ACCIDENT

On Monday morning, April 21st, while Robert E. Schrock, 31, had been to the neighbors, riding horse back, the pony slipped on the black top, throwing him off. He tore ligaments on his right leg just above the ankle, broke the little bone and chipped the large bone on the lower end. He has his leg in a walking cast up to his knee and is getting around on crutches.

In meines vaters
hause sind viele
wohnungen Joh 14:2

OBITUARIES

GINGERICH, Magdalena S., 89, Clark, Missouri

died in her home, March 27th, after having pneumonia and a light stroke. She lived with her daughter, the Joe B. Millers. Her husband, Jacob J. Gingerich, died Jan. 22, 1959. Born in Johnson County, Iowa, she was a daughter of Samuel D. and Merriam (Eash) Yoder. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Jonas S. (Mary) Bontrager, Mrs. Joe B. (Lydia) Miller, and Mrs. Eli U. (Lena) Borntrager, six sons, Eli, Sam, Noah, Jacob, and Chrissie J. Gingerich, all of Clark, Mo. and Ezra of Milton, Iowa; 81 grandchildren, 258 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild; one helf sister and one half brother, Miss Nettie Yoder and Jake Yoder of Springs, Pa., and a brother, Eli S. Yoder of Kalona, Iowa. One daughter, Mrs. Joe E. (Barbara) Miller of Curryville, Mo., preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 29th, in the homes of Sammie E. Gingerichs and Eli J. Millers.

MAST, Anna, 65, Fredericksburg R2, Ohio

died April 28th at the William Troyer home. She was born April 10, 1910, a daughter of David and Katie (Hershberger) Mast. Surviving are two brothers, Dan and Roman of Fredericksburg R2; two sisters, Mrs. William (Fannie) Troyer and Mrs. Jonas (Susie) Yoder of Apple Creek R2, and two half sisters, Mrs. Crist D. (Barbara) Miller of Millersburg R5 and Mrs. Sam (Mary) Miller of Holmesville R1.

Funeral services were held May 1st at the home by Min. Emanuel Miller and Bishop Andy Weaver. Burial was in the Schlabach Cemetery.

MAST, Anna Esh, 70, Dover R5, Delaware

died April 12th at the home of her son Jacob. She had a stroke on February 23rd, was in hospital for nearly three weeks, and was cared for at the home of her son Jacob until her death four weeks later. Surviving are her husband, Noah D. Mast; five sons, David of Miss., Jacob of Wyoming R1, Adlia of Hartley R1, Jonas of Dover R5, and Elmer on the home place; six daughters, Mrs. Noah S. (Barbara) Byler of Canada, Mrs. Daniel J. (Polly) King of Dover R2, Mrs. Ira D. (Christina) Yoder of LeRaysville, Pa., Mrs. Dan H. (Katie) Beachy of Dover R5, Mrs. Eli J. (Alta) Miller of Dover R5, and Mrs. Eli E. (Sarah) Mast of Wyoming R1. One daughter Cora, first wife of Mahlon J. Stutzman of Clark, Mo., preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 15th, at the Elmer J. Yoder home, by Bishop Peter Miller of Indiana and Bishop John J. Yoder; psalm read by John A. Yoder.

MAST, Daniel S., 94, Dover R2, Delaware

died Wednesday evening, April 23rd, of congestion of the heart, after a week of rather sudden decline, at the home of his daughter Effie, the Alfred Troyers. He was born Aug. 23, 1880 in Holmes County, Ohio, and died at the age of 94 yr. and 8 mo. He was first married to Anna Yutzy, second to Emma C. Byler. Surviving are three daughters and one son, Mrs. Alfred D. (Effie) Troyer at home, Mrs. A. Martin (Mary) Beachy of Selinsgrove, Pa., Mrs. John H. (Fannie) Miller of Guthrie, Ky., and Eli, married to Elinor R. Mullet of Hicksville, Ohio; 33 grandchildren and 65 great-grandchildren. Two sons and one daughter preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held in the home Saturday, April 26th, by Pre. Amos Miller of Illinois and Bishop John J. Yoder of the home church; psalm read by Neil N. Hershberger.

MAST, Mark Allen, 1 year, Etna Green, Indiana

died April 25th from injuries received in his home (see front page). Born Jan. 15, 1974, he was a son of Marvin and Sylvia (Schmucker) Mast, and died at the age of 1 yr., 3 mo. and 10 days. Surviving are the parents; three sisters and four brothers, Rosemary, Carolyn, Linda, Lester, Dennis, Lamar, and Paul, all at home; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Barbara (Hochstetler) Schmucker, paternal grandparents, John L. and Mary Ann (Burkholder) Mast, great-grandfather, Eli S. Schmucker; uncles, aunts and many other relatives and friends. His maternal grandfather, Martin E. Schmucker, and an infant sister, Barbara Ann, preceded him in death.

MILLER, David D., 70, Geauga County, Ohio

died in Geauga Community Hospital Tuesday, April 15th, from a stroke. He was sick only a short time. He was born Feb. 27, 1905, and was married to the former Lizzie Miller. Surviving are his widow; five sons, John of Spartensburg, Pa., Dan of Middlefield, Noah of Atlantic, Pa., Eli of New Glarus, Wis., Joe, single; two daughters, Mrs. John (Mary) Byler of New Wilmington, Pa., and Mrs. Eli A. (Fannie) Miller; three sisters, Mrs. Martin (Gertie) Schlaubach, Mrs. Ura D. (Fannie) Miller of Middlefield, and Mrs. John (Elizabeth) Mott of Florida.

Funeral services were held at the home by Bishop Sam Erb and Bishop Melvin A. Raber from Holmes County, and at Andy Wengards by Pre. Dan U. Byler and Pre. Jake R. Byler. Burial was in the Mespotamia Amish Cemetery.

PEACHEY, Jacob S., 82, Leola, Pa.

died Thursday, April 17th, at 2 a.m. at Lancaster General Hospital. He had been under the care of a physician. He had served the church as a bishop in the Mifflin County area where he had formerly resided. Born in Allensville, he was a son of the late Jacob H. and Elizabeth (Yoder) Peachey. He is survived by his widow, Sadie M. (Zook) Peachey, and three children, Jesse M., Guthrie, Ky., Sadie E. Peachey, at home, and David B., Honduras, Central America; also the following brothers and sisters: Noah and Rufus Peachey, and Mrs. Mary E. Zook, all of Belleville R1; Thomas, Lebanon R3; Mrs. Annie Swarey, Allensville; Gertrude, wife of Israel Swarey, of Mechanicsville, Md.; Leah, wife of Joseph L. Kanagy, Stuarts Draft, Va., and Amos, Fairmont Home, Ephrata.

Funeral services were held at the late home Monday, April 21st, at 7 a.m., by Amos K. Stoltzfus and Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus; hymn read by Jacob B. Zook. After lunch was served at the home, a bus load of friends and relatives left for graveside services. Hymn at graveyard was read by Samuel T. Peachey; abschied by Joshua Renno. Burial was in Locust Grove Cemetery near Belleville, Mifflin County. After burial the bus load of people had supper at the home of a niece before returning to Lancaster County.

SCHWARTZ, Daniel C., 1 year, Berne R2, Indiana
died at the Bluffton Clinic Hospital, March 22nd, following an illness of one day. Death was attributed to encephalitis. The child was born March 11, 1974 in Van Wert, Ohio. Surviving are the parents, Ernest K. and Elizabeth T. (Schwartz) Schwartz, and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Christ M. Schwartz, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan D. Schwartz.

Funeral services were held March 25th. Burial was in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

SCHWARTZ, Mrs. Emma, 60, Seymour R1, Mo.
died in St. Johns Hospital in Springfield, April 3, from bleeding ulcers, blood would not clot. Surviving are husband, Sam C.; ten sons, Christ Y., Sam Y., Jonas Y., Reuben Y., Jacob Y., Milo Y., and Emanuel Y., all of Seymour area, Dannie Y., Amos Y., and Johnnie Y., of the home; five daughters, Lydia Y. Hilty, Emma Y. Hilty, Leah Y. Schwartz, and Annie Y. Schwartz, of the Seymour area, and Fanny Y. Schwartz, of the home.

Funeral services were held at the home on April 7th. Burial was at Amish Cemetery.

SCHWARTZ, Stillborn Son, Allen County, Ind.
was born to John and Rosalie (Graber) Schwartz, March 23rd. Surviving besides the parents are three brothers. Funeral services were held the same day, at the home, by Christy Schmucker.

STOLTZFUS, Emma F., 10 mo., Kirkwood R1, Pa.
daughter of Isaac E. and Annie S. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, died Wednesday, April 30th, at 3 a.m. at her home. She had been ill since birth and suffered a lot, taking lots of care, and therefore leaving a very empty place at home. She is missed so much by an only sister, almost three years old, who often spent her time rocking her when she was restless, so the mother could go about some other work. She was born June 13, 1974, and died at the age of 10 mo. and 17 days. Besides her parents, she is survived by one sister, Arie, at home; paternal grandparents, Jacob L. and Emma Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1; maternal grandparents, Benuel and Arie Fisher, Danville, Montour County; paternal great-grandparents, Isaac and Mary King, Bird-in-Hand R1; maternal great-grandparents, Jacob S. and Sarah Fisher, Ronks R1, and Elam B. and Annie Stoltzfoos, Leola R1.

Funeral services were held at the home May 1st at 12:00, by Henry L. Stoltzfus of Kirkwood, and Bishop Henry S. Fisher of Paradise R1; hymn read by Amos L. Stoltzfus of Bird-in-Hand R1. Burial was at Fisher's Cemetery near Bartville.

STOLTZFUS, Mrs. Emma, 89, Narvon R1, Pa.
died at 10:15 a.m. Wednesday, April 23rd, in her home. She was sick four days and could not talk, her right side was paralysed. Born in Salisbury Township, she was a daughter of the late Joshua and Mary (Lapp) Lapp, and was the widow of Jonas E. Stoltzfus who died March 27, 1947. She was patient during the years of widowhood, hardly ever complaining of her loneliness. She will be greatly missed by the family, but mostly by her daughter who lived with her all her life. She is survived by eight children: Emma L., wife of Enos Esh, Gordonville R1; Mary L., at home; Joshua L., and Daniel L. of Narvon R1; Jacob M., Rebersburg; Jonas S., Honey Brook R1; John L., Honey Brook R1; and Christ E., Narvon R1, with whom she resided; 47 grandchildren and 99 great-grandchildren. Five children preceded her in death. Her age was 89 yr., 10 mo., 24 days.

Funeral services were held at the home Friday, April 25th, by Daniel L. Stoltzfus and John K. Lapp; hymns read by Daniel U. Stoltzfus and John U. Stoltzfus; benediction by Elam Kauffman. Burial was in Mast's Cemetery.

STUTZMAN, Min. Levi J., 64, Arthur, Illinois
died April 7th in St. Mary's Hospital from a heart attack. Born Sept. 2, 1910, he was a son of Joseph and Sarah L. (Mast) Stutzman, and died at the age of 64 yr., 9 mo., 5 days. He married Amanda Graber Dec. 15, 1932; lived in matrimony 42 yr., 3 mo., 12 days. One son, Calvin, age 1 yr., 5 mo., 2 days, preceded him in death 36 years to the day. Surviving are his wife, one son, three daughters, and ten grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home Thursday, April 10th, by Bishop Joe Graber from Daviess Co., Ind., Min. Ura Miller from Geauga Co., Ohio, and Min. Melvin Yoder from Martinsburg, Ohio. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery.

WEAVER, Abe J., 81, Geauga County, Ohio
died unexpectedly Friday morning, April 4th. He is survived by his wife, Fannie, daughter of the late Dan C. and Mary Miller, and 15 children.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 7th, at Ben Hostetlers by Nevin U. Byler and Jake U. Gingerich, and at Menno U. Hostetlers by Pre. David E. Miller and Bishop William W. Byler. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

YODER, Pre. Amos, 83, Fairbank, Iowa
died Tuesday, April 29th. He was a stroke victim for fourteen months. (An obituary will follow.)

YODER, Melvin R., age 8, Lakeville R1, Ohio

died Saturday night, April 26th, at the family home. He was an invalid after having spinal meningitis when a baby. Born June 26, 1966 in Holmes County, he was the son of Roy and Lovina (Wengerd) Yoder. Surviving besides his parents are three brothers, Benjamin, Eli, and Abraham, and three sisters, Katie, Ada, and Mary, all of the home; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin L. Yoder of Dundee R1, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben J. Wengerd of Apple Creek R1. He was preceded in death by a brother, Roy Jr.

Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday, April 29th, at 9 a.m-, by Min. Sam Barkman and Min. Eli Schlabach. Burial was in the Schlabach Cemetery.

YODER, Perry T., 36, Topeka R1, Indiana

was found dead in his barn Tuesday morning, April 15th. Born Dec. 4, 1938 in Topeka, he was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Tobias L. Yoder of LaGrange R4. He was a lifetime resident of Topeka and was employed by Jayco Industries in Middlebury. He was married April 2, 1970, to Anna Beechy, who survives. Also surviving are three daughters, Esther, Lou Ida, and Irene, all at home; his parents; nine sisters, Mrs. Ora Miller, Mrs. Ezra Bontrager, and Mrs. Elmer Beechey, all of LaGrange, Mrs. Marvin Miller of Goshen, Mrs. Ora Miller, Mrs. Virgil Yoder and Mrs. Owen Hershberger, all of Topeka, and Beulah and Esther, both at home; seven brothers, Ervin of Burton, Ohio, Almer, Alvin and Christ, all of LaGrange, and Toby, Milo and Clarence, all at home; four stepsisters, Mrs. Daniel Lehman of Topeka, Mrs. Roy Miller of Largo, Fla., Mrs. Ezra Miller of LaGrange, and Katie Schrock, at home, and two stepbrothers, Melvin Schrock of LaGrange and Marvin Schrock of Goshen.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 18th, at 9:30 a.m. at the Abraham Bontrager residence, by Bishop Jacob Petersheim. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery.

MACON AND SHELBY CO., MO. TORNADOES

On April 28th about 5 p.m. a tornado ripped the area about four miles south of Anabel, Macon, and Clarence, Missouri, leaving unbelievable destruction in its mile wide path for thirty miles. Nearly sixty miles before this it hit only in spots. Two lives were lost and others injured. It traveled unusually slow, giving people time to take shelter. Some farm homes were completely leveled, many partially. The storm contained three funnels and sometimes as many as five, and others said it looked like a black curtain. It rolled up fences and tore down high lines, picking up buildings, ripping out hedge rows, hogs and cattle were killed; timber looked like a giant sickle bar had moved through. Debris was churned up into the air, sometimes 55,000 feet high, and landed in eastern Shelby County. Some personal effects were found in Quincy, Illinois from Macon. A new farm tractor was lost when a barn was destroyed that contained it, and was not found yet at last reports.

GEAUGA COUNTY NOTE – by John H. Hershberger

On the 3rd of April we, Mose Troyers and daughter Esther, John S. C. Millers, Mary S. Miller, and Eliz. Detweiler were to a wedding in Sugar Grove, Pa. That day it stormed so badly that by mid afternoon the snow had made visability almost zero. Although we had warnings to stay off the road our driver insisted on starting out. We got about fifteen miles on our way till the roads were closed. We had to put up in a motel for the night, and luckily we found one. The next day we arrived home but driving was very treacherous and many cars were in the ditches.

LANCASTER CO. DIENER FERSAMMLUNG

The semiannual ministers meeting was held on April 21st at the home of Pre. Samuel E. Stoltzfus, Gap R1. Bishop Aaron Esh had the forestelling. The ministers were nearly all present except two that attended a funeral, and Dea. Amos E. Stoltzfus of Morgantown was in the hospital with a heart attack. There are 52 church districts in Lancaster County which makes a pretty full house for one meeting, so it was decided to divide the ministers into two groups, taking Route 340, or the Old Philadelphia Pike, for the line. The meetings will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays. The Bishops on the south side that have church places on the north side will belong on the north side, that way the districts will be divided evenly with 26 districts on each side.

BAPTISMS

Dover, Delaware
April 13, by Bishop Eli S. Miller
Lydia, daughter of Adam E. and Lizzie Miller

Adams County, Indiana
March 9, in Jake K. Hilty District
by Earl Miller of Nappanee
Larry B., son of Ernest B. and Barbara Schwartz
Levi K., son of Dan D. and Martha Schwartz
LeRoy B., son of Ernest B. and Barbara Schwartz
David L., son of Jake K. and Lydiann Hilty
Lamar C., son of Christ K. and Clara Hilty
Elmer, son of Amos C. and Elizabeth Schwartz
Ben L., son of Mrs. Lovina Shetler
LeRoy L., son of Jake K. and Lydiann Hilty
Gertie L., dau. of Levi L. and Rose Miller
Sharon J., dau. of Samuel L. and Mary Jane Hilty

Allen County, Indiana
April 6, by Bishop Amos Schmucker
Amos, son of Christ & the late Emma (Graber) Schwartz
Martin, son of Henry & the late Betty (Zehr) Graber
Amos, son of David and Anna (Miller) Schwartz
Peter, son of Daniel and Rosa (Eicher) Miller
Mary Mae, dau. of Jesse & Mary (Schwartz) Graber

Garnett, Kansas
April 13, by Bishop Jerry Yoder
Dan, son of Ralph Kramers
Martha, dau. of Menno and Esther (Farmwald) Keim
Katie, dau. of Ira and Ida (Miller) Yoder

Laß sich freuen alle, die auf dich trauen; ewiglich laß
sie rühmen, denn du beschirmst sie. PSALM 5,12

ORDINATIONS

Franklin County, Pennsylvania

Daniel B. King, 28, Newburg R1, was ordained minister in West Cumberland Valley (Sam Kauffman) District, April 29th. He is a son of Lizzie and the late Daniel F. King, Strasburg R1, Pa., and is married to Susie, daughter of John and Susie Esh. With him in the lot were Jonathan H. Beiler, Ben A. Fisher, Eli Byler, Elmer Fisher, and Roman Kauffman.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Dan J. Troyer, 52, was ordained minister, April 22nd. He is the son of Joas N. and Mary (Wickey) Troyer, by Tobias Petersheim.

Geauga County, Ohio

Lester Miller was ordained minister in the Bishop William S. Gingerich District, April 27th. He is a son of Andy D. C. Miller, and his wife is a daughter of Joe P. Miller and the late Amanda (Miller) Miller.

Steuben County, Indiana

Noah Schmucker, 26, was ordained deacon, April 13th. He is a son of Joseph Schmucker of Allen Co., Indiana, and is married to Rebecca, daughter of Rosa (Schmucker) and the late Menno Steury.

Adams County, Indiana

Aaron Wickey, 35, Monroe R1, was ordained minister, April 20th. He is a son of Dea. Sam D. Wickeys, and is married to Melinda, daughter of Jake R. Schwartzs.

Kosciusko County, Millford, Indiana

Freeman L. Kuhns, 32, was ordained bishop in the Southeast District of the Nappanee, Ind. area, April 26th. He is a son of Mrs. Elizabeth (Hershberger) Kuhns of Millford R2, Ind. and the late Levi Kuhns. His wife is Irene, daughter of Joni and Sovilla (Miller) Gingerich of Nappanee R2, Indiana.

Clark, Missouri

Amos A. Miller, 30, was ordained minister in the Northwest District, April 19th. He is a son of Ammon Millers, Amherst, Wisconsin. In the lot were as follows, Mahlon Hochstetler, Eli C. Gingerich, Amos A. Miller, Levi J. Borntreger, Mosie N. Gingerich, Henry F. Miller, and David J. Miller.

Willie E. Bontrager, 51, was ordained bishop in the Southwest District, April 22nd. He was ordained minister in 1969. With him in the lot were David U. Gingerich and Noah J. Gingerich.

Marshfield, Missouri

Lester Kuhns, 28, Marshfield R1, was ordained minister, April 13th.

Milton Iowa

Fred J. Yoder was ordained minister, April 18th. He is a son of Dea. Joe Yoder of Arthur, Ill., and is marries to Martha, daughter of Bishop Abe C. Gingerich, also of Arthur, Illinois.

Buchanan County, Iowa

David Yoder, 22, was ordained minister in the Phillip Yoder District, March 30th, out of a lot of four. He is a son of Mrs. John J. Bontrager.

Aden Helmuth, 26, was ordained deacon in the Eli Raber District, April 5, out of a lot of nine. He is a son of Pre. Dan A. Helmuth.

GREY COUNTY, ONT. SNOW STORM

April 3rd will be a day to remember, it brought us the worst snow storm of the winter, and also the record for this late in the spring. Most people of this area were invited to the wedding of Peter J. Yoder and Barbara D. Zook. Some folks didn't make it to the wedding on account of badly drifted roads, including the groom's family. Some that made it to the wedding had quite a time to get home in the afternoon. Joe Stutzman was on the road three hours to get home and finally made it, a normal 45 minute drive. John Stutzman gave up half way home, about dark, and stayed at the Joe Miller residence for the night. He got stuck with two horses in the spring wagon and couldn't turn around so he had to unhitch and go back after a bob sleigh to get his family and pull the spring wagon out. The next day, after the snow plow went, they proceeded home, and finished with the chores about noon, everything was "undone" the evening before, including milking. The young folk that were at the wedding mostly stayed in the neighborhood until the next day. The Weather Bureau at Mt. Forest measured the snow fall as 18 inches.

This was followed by a week of cold north winds and temperature in the low teens in the mornings. Sap runs were light these days. By April 15th temperature moderated and went as high as 60 in the p.m. Friday night, April 18th, brought high winds with lots of rain and some thunder. All that remained of the snow was a few drifts along fences and roads, which in turn brought very high water along the big Saugeen River. Hanover, Neustad, Walkerton, and Paisley were all hit by high water, with Walkerton and Paisley being hit the worst. Many basements were full of water and some houses had 18 inches of water on the first floor. About twenty families were forced to leave on Sunday night.

The last of April was warmer but grass is very slow yet; very little grain sown yet but farmers were now getting on the land.

APRIL

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

No doubt April was one of the coolest on record, with frosts and freezing weather right along through the first three weeks. Low for the month was 22 on the 14th. Rainfall was about normal, a total of 4.8 inches. Spring oats are started good; rye and barley heading out. Corn planting has begun in spite of the cool weather. Hay locally is very scarce, and shipped in hay is very high in price.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

We had an exceptionally nice spring so far, with enough showers to keep the ground in good working shape, maybe 3 inches for the month. April 3 to 5 the wind blew here, too, with gusts up to 70 mph. Some roofs were damaged and quite a few trees blew down in this county. Some farmers are planting corn. Barley is heading out. Asparagus is ready to eat.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 4.2 inches.

Market report: Prime veal $75 cwt.; choice fat cattle $43 to $49 cwt.; feeders $25 to $35 cwt.; fat hogs $41 to $43.75 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs 85¢ to $1.12 lb.; spring lambs $90 cwt.; dairy cows at New Holland $405 to $1050; Heavy fowl 17¢ to 33¢ per lb.; pullets 43¢ to 46¢ per lb.; ducks 55¢ to 63¢ per lb.; geese 40¢ to 53¢ per lb.; turkey hens 46¢ per lb.; large eggs 53¢ per doz.; potatoes retail $3 cwt.; corn $2.95 bu.; $70 ton; wheat $3.25 bu.; barley $2.20 bu.; oats $1.80 bu.; straw $41 to $49 ton; hay $35 to $139 ton; milk around $7.50 cwt.

by Ammon F. Fisher

April 1 was very nice and warm, people were planting garden. April 3 rainy and windy. Strong winds through April 6, windy day and night; temperature from 24 to 40 degrees. Some sheds, trees, and roofs were blown down. The week of the 21st we had over 3 in. of nice, steady rain. Total rainfall for April was 3.4 inches. Mostly cool all through the month.

By Elam S. Beiler

Farmers were hauling manure, plowing, and working corn ground. 'Twas the kind of weather that you could get a good day's work out of any old mule. A few have planted corn but is too wet now. Some have cows on pasture but grass is short yet. Rye is a foot high, barley and wheat somewhat shorter. Everything seems to be a few weeks later this year. Tobacco beds and alfalfa were sowed a month ago and are just starting to grow. Pear and cherry trees are blooming, apples not started yet. Peas, onions, corn, and potatoes up in gardens. Are having asparagus, rhubard, and lettuce to eat now.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

We had 4 inches of rain in April, mostly at the beginning and the end of the month, with a dry spell in between. Farmers had a good chance to get their plowing done. We had a good bit of strong winds on the 4th and 5th, also most of the month was windy. Fields and pastures didn't grow much until the last week, as it was mostly cool.

Bradford County, Pennsylvania, by Clemens Nissley

April was cold, windy with snow flurries from the third to the seventh. We didn't have much snow, or we surely would have had some drifts. Milder toward the end of the month. We started plowing April 21, and is on the dry side now. Oats is mostly sowed. Some plowing to do for corn yet. Grass is coming nice. A warm rain would be a great help.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Beiler

We had a lot of wind in April. It was mostly on the warm side. We had some rain, but it didn't keep the farmers out of fields very long. Usually it was windy after a rain and soon dried off. The fourth and sixth we had snow flurries. Peas are up, a lot of plowing done, and corn planting started. May 1, we are having a welcome rain.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam M. Troyer

April has been somewhat cool and dry. We had only an inch of rain until the 24th, then we had nearly 2 in. The first half of the month we often had in the 20's in the mornings. Even the last half was not very warm. Only the apricots are in full bloom. Peaches are starting to bloom. Most of the tree seeds are up. Most of the oats is sown. Folks are getting ready for corn.

McClure, Snyder Co., Pa., by Katie A. Speicher

Beginning of April was rather dry and stormy. Strong winds on the 4th, a few barn roofs were blown off. Hardly any rain until the 15th. A good month for greenhouse tomatoes. Wet and rainy from the 24th to the 30th. Most farmers are finished sowing oats, a few have planted corn but it is almost too cold.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

April seemed somewhat like March, quite a bit of windy weather. April 1 and 2 were springlike days, followed by three windy and stormy days. Trees were uprooted, many roofs blown off. Local papers reported 90 mph winds. It didn't warm up until around the middle of the month. Lawns and pastures are green now, but spring seems considerably late. Garden things are slow in growing. Trees are still brown, leaves haven't opened yet. Apricot trees are in bloom. LOw temperature 20, high 70; 3 inches rainfall. Thunder, lightning, and snow flurries April 3.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y. Renno

April was stormy, cold, and dry. Total rainfall 2½ inches, most of it in the last week. We had a violent wind storm the first week, with no rain. It uprooted some big trees, and unroofed some buildings. One barn was blown down completely, also chimneys were blown off. This storm was followed by two weeks of continuously windy weather, and no really warm days all month. Farmers are well on with their field work. Oats was about all sown in April. Grass and trees are slow in getting green, most trees have no leaves yet. Fruit trees are just starting to bloom. We had frost about every night this spring. Chances look good for fruit trees if they get in blooming stage so late, unless we have hard frosts in May. There should be lots of fruit and strawberries.

Franklin County, Pennsylvania, by Jacob E. Flaud

The first two days of April were warm; people were busy working in garden and planting garden. April 3 it started to get windy. We had winds up to 90 mph. There was a lot of damage to farm buildings; lots of barn roofs taken off; also house trailers upset, and trees uprooted. It was windy for almost a week. The ground was starting to get a little dry, partly due to the high winds, then we had several good showers the last week. Farmers are getting a little anxious to plant corn, but it has been rather cool.

Path Valley, Pennsylvania, by Daniel Z. Beiler

April came in cool and windy. April 3 and 4 we had the worst wind storm in years, with considerable damage in this area, mostly to roofs, although a few buildings were blown down. Weather continued cool and windy the first week. Oats sowing started in earnest the second week and is now about completed. Very little corn has been planted, not as much as usual due to cool, wet weather. Grass is also a bit slow this spring. Fall grain looks good.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

April 3 we had showers, then it turned windy and stormy, with some hail and snow flurries. It was stormy several days and nights. Trees were blown down and roofs blown off, etc. April 6 to 9 the temperature was at 30 degrees in the mornings. April 14 it was 26 and very frosty. April 15 we had over 2 in. of rain. April 19 we had showers, then it got windy and dried off enough that we could plant garden in the evening. April 25, 3½ in. rain. The latter part of April was cool and mostly cloudy. Grass is growing, and farmers have pasture for their cows. Farmers were able to get a lot of plowing done. Some fruit trees are blooming, and a few strawberries are also in bloom.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Abe S. Kinsinger

Weather for April was mostly cool, with occasional snow flurries and high winds. Plowing is mostly finished, but not much oats sown as it was too cool. On April 22-23 we had 3½ in. of rain and on the 26th another shower. People are patiently waiting for it to dry off. Some garden things are planted.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania, by Dan J. Troyer

April was dry and cold. It was warm the first two days, then on the third it rained in the morning. It turned cold and started snowing and blowing. We had a real blizzard with snow and wind for three days. We had a lot of cold north wind with a warm day now and then. A little rain occasionally, but no heavy rains or soakers. Farmers were a little late getting started, but were not held up much weather wise. A lot of oats planted, and a few have some corn planted. Hay is scarce and high in price. Pasture is a bit slow due to cool and dry. Some cows are out due to feed shortage.

St. Lawrence County, New York, by Josiah Eicher

April came in somewhat wintry. On the third it started snowing, and by the fifth we had 14 inches of snow on the level. The ninth it was in the high 40's again. The rest of the month the temperature varied from 20's to the 50's. We had snow flurries on April 26. Plowing is in full swing again.

Conewango Valley, New York, by Mrs. Menno Miller

March came in like a lion and went out practically the same way. We had a good bit of snow during the month, but it was a very nice winter throughout. Farmers are busy plowing now. Maple syrup was a good crop this year, selling from $10 to $14 a gallon.

We had a real snow storm the beginning of April, higher snow banks than during all winter. Farmers are busy turning sod, but still a raw air going in spite of our nice sunny days. We have had a lot of people buying hay, which is high in price, going over $1 a bale, depending on quality and size of bales.

Geauga County, Ohio, by Mrs. Jerry E. Byler

We had a dry and cool April, always a cold wind until the last week. We had a little rain. It is warming up now. Early gardens are planted.

by John H. Hershberger

April, 1975, has a way of standing out in memory. It started in mild, then turned colder the third, with extremely high winds and some snow. We had 20 degree temperature for a few days. The winds lasted for 5 days, It finally went up into the 50's and 60's. Our paper stated it was the coldest, windiest April in 100 years. It was also dry with only an occasional shower the last week. Some sugar makers cleaned up and quit in March, while others had a few good runs in April; one of the best seasons on record.

Stark County, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

April started in very nice, being a sunny day. Some farmers were seen plowing. However, on the third temperature dropped down to 32 and a strong wind with snow. The second week we had nice sunshine, but cold, frosty mornings. The 18th it warmed up a bit, and we had a shower, then a little more rain on the 23rd. Very little rain or snow for April. It gave the farmers a chance to do their plowing. The oats is about all sowed, but no corn planted yet. The market for stock is up a little, as follows: Top hogs $42; steers $44; heifers $41; cows $25; lambs $63.

Utica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin E. Hershberger

In April we had 3.1 in. of rain. The high was 74 on the 30th, and the low was 19 on the 4th. It was quite changeable; a lot of cloudy weather. A lot of plowing was done in April, and most of the oats is in. Mushrooms are starting to come. Beef cattle are still very low, also calves are cheap. Eggs are 55¢ a dozen at the farm.

Hicksville, Ohio, by David Raber

We had a lot of cool, cloudy weather in April. It started raining on the 18th and has been wet since, so a lot of plowing is still waiting. Wheat looks nice.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

The weather in April was dry and windy up to the eighteenth, when we had thunder and lightning and a nice shower of rain. Many mornings it was down to around 20. Warmer in daytime, but so much cool wind. We had 1.8 in. rain. Early planted gardens are slow in coming up with the ground so cold yet. Ideal weather for the oats in the ground, which is mostly sowed. Strawberry plants are showing their new growth. Hay fields and pastures look good.

Southeastern Holmes, by John L. Yoder

Our weather for April was: some high winds, cool days and nights, several frosts. Grass did not make much progress until the last week due to the dry weather. The last week in April we had several showers with a thunder shower the last evening. Grass is now making a fast change. Oats all sowed, no corn planted yet. Pig prices at an all-time high. Good cows and heifers are selling at a good price. Grass cattle selling better, but still looks like a good buy.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Farmers made good use of the nice weather in April, after having several cool spells and hard frosts, and some snow the first part of the month. April was on the dry side. Farmers have their oats sowed, also grass seed. April 30 we had a wonderful rain with the temperature up in the 60's. Farmers will be planting corn as soon as it dries off. Wheat and hay fields look good. Feeder pig market is up, also fat hogs at 42¢. Beef is still slow, with plenty of heifers, and some have no pasture rented yet to put them. Good hay is getting scarce.

Western Holmes, by Monroe A. Weaver

April was mostly dry. We had no measureable rain for 25 days. The last of the month was good growing weather. Grass and wheat look good, oats is sowed, and a little corn planted. Pigs are very high, due to low population and lower feed prices.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary Yoder

April was cooler and drier than it has been for the last 30 years. A lot of plowing to be done, and also oats to sow. Very little garden is planted yet.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

April has been very cool, with frequent frosts in the mornings. We had occasional below freezing temperatures, also very dry until the last week. Then we had good soakers, but only twice that we had thunder this spring. Things seem about three weeks behind from usual. Lawns have finally greened up and are being mowed. Gardens are mostly planted, but are very slow. Oats is all in and coming up nicely. Plowing is about done, and a bit of corn has been planted. Fruit trees are just ready to burst into bloom.

Oscoda County, Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

April was quite cold yet, with north and northeast winds most of the month. We had a good season for making maple syrup. Not much field work done except those that have sandier soil. We did not have much rain till the last week we had about 2 inches, which helped the grass along.

Centreville, Michigan, by Tobe L. Yoder

April was cool. We had rain the twelfth, and snow the last week. Days were nice, but in the 40's at night.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

The first part of April was cold; a few snow storms with freezing temperatures, very unusual. April 20 we received heavy rains, up to 3½ inches, and warmer so that grass made good growth. The last week was colder again, but more sunshine. Farmers are having a hard time to make ends meet.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

April 1 was nice, but the next few days we had thunder storms, rain, and snow, with a low of 16. Again ½ inch snow on the ninth. We cooked our last maple syrup on the 16th. There is very little oats sowed in our area. A few farmers sowed on the 15th to 17th. Total rainfall for the month was 5 in. Grass and clover are late this year. Hay prices at auction ranged from Timothy $2.25 per bale, Second and third cutting alfalfa $2 to $3.80 per bale. Maple syrup sells at $9.50 per gallon.

Ashley, Indiana, by Mrs. Noah N. Eicher

April was a very changeable month. The first half it was below freezing every morning. We had a lot of cloudy days, also some clear and warm. This will be my last report from Ashley, as we moved to Branch County, Michigan. Early gardens are planted, and oats sowed, but still a lot of plowing to be done.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

The first half of April was very cold and dry. The low temperature was 21 on the 12th, and the high 74 on the 29th. We had sleet and freezing rain on the second and third.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

Although March had no extremely cold weather, neither was there much sign of spring with the exception of several days around the 21st when the temperature sneaked up to 70 one day. Snowfall was considerably above normal, totaling 7½ inches. High winds on March 23 did some damage. Fort Wayne recorded gusts up to 61 mph. Figures for March are: High 70 on the 21st, low 14 on the ninth. Rainfall 3 inches, snow 7.5 inches. There were seven clear days, 19 partly cloudy, and five cloudy days.

The first days of April were very cold and dry, but by the latter part of the month the rains came. Trees, grass, flowers, etc. are about two weeks behind schedule. Farmers have most of the oats sowed and some corn was planted. Figures are: High, 78 on the 29th, low, 21 on the 5th; rainfall, 2.94 inches; snowfall, 5 inches. There were 9 clear days, 15 partly cloudy, 6 cloudy, and 10 rainy days; also had 3 thunderstorms.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

The first part of April was cool. We had hard frost the fourth, but somewhat warmer the next few days with some sunshine. We had very little rain, and it was getting dry, but we had over 2 inches rain the 18th, and a few showers since. Men are getting oats in and getting corn ground ready. Some women have planted garden. Wheat fields are nice and green. Lawns will evidently need mowing before long. Rhubarb is almost ready to use for pies. We had another inch of rain April 27, and things look lush and green.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam. K. Stoltzfus

April 1 was nice and sunny, second was rainy, turning to snow and sleet, third was 24 and winter weather. The second week we had sunny skies, but chilly wind. Lots of plowing, some oats sown and gardens made. April 18 it really rained, 19th windy and some rain. There were tornado watches out. The third week was changeable. April 26 sunny skies, so more gardening was done, men busy in fields. April 27 rainy and colder. Some yards were mowed first time.

Kosciusko County, Indiana, by Joni D. Gingerich

In April we had 14 mornings of below freezing temperature, the coldest being 21 degrees with a half inch of snow on the third. From the 16th on we had 4½ in. of rain, so there are still a few fields of oats to be sown. We had 8 days of sunshine and 6 days of no sunshine. Pastures seem to be a little slow on account of the cool weather. With the high cost of feed it is pretty hard on the dairy and beef farmer. The highest price for hay at the last Topeka auction was $205 per ton, which is the highest I ever heard of. Grain prices are down some from a month ago. Soybeans $5.16; wheat $3.04; corn $2.70; oats $1.65 bu. Hog prices are up a bit; top hogs $42.75 at the Elkhart Packing Co. Seed potatoes are from $5 to $7 cwt. Not many garden things planted yet. High for the month was 76 on the 29th, which was a very nice, sunny day. A lot of plowing was done the first half of the month, but none the last half. Some oat fields are showing a tint of green over the top.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

The first week in April seemed like March with rain, stormy weather, and a blanket of snow. It soon melted, bringing clear skies and sunny days for the next two weeks. Most people planted early garden things. Some farmers have planted some corn, which may get frost-bitten yet. It was getting a little dry which is unusual for April in this area. The rains we received the last week were plentiful, bringing some chilly weather. The rainy days gave the women a chance to finish the quilting and spring house-cleaning, while the menfolks were busy with the many spring odd jobs and clearing off creek banks and fence rows. Our early garden things are up and looking very nice. Many farmers are glad to see the alfalfa fields growing as hay is running low.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

Weather has been mostly favorable for the farmer. Oats fields are mostly green, much corn has been planted. Some fields were plowed a little wet, but most fields worked real nice. April 24-25 we had about 3 in. rain so that there was water in the fields again. The temperature was 70 one day. Plowing is pretty well done. Some corn is coming up.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather remained cool until the middle of April. We had some nice, warm weather the latter part, with quite a bit of corn being planted between showers. We've had over half of our average rainfall in the first three months of the year, and it isn't letting up much yet. Barley is fully headed and looks nice. Dairy farmers are filling silo with rye.

Lawrence County, Tennessee, by Jacob J. Gingerich

The average morning temperature for the month of April was 48, evening 56. Low 27, high 80. Rainfall was 3¾ inches. Some are done planting corn, while others are just starting. Wheat is coming in head and looks good. Oats look poor. Pimiento plants started coming in this week. There are over 2000A. contracted, much more than last year. Feeder pigs brought as high as $1.08 per lb., but it takes a good calf to fetch $10. Veal calves sell from 18¢ to 26¢ lb.

Reno County (Partridge), Kansas, by Edward Mast

April was quite springlike. The first part was cool and damp; the last half warm and drier. Most crops are looking very good. Alfalfa weevils are quite thick this year. A lot of cattle went on pasture the last week; some were out two weeks already.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by E. E. Schrock

Weather in April was very changeable. We had some hail, snow, heavy fog, rain, and high winds, also some nice sunny days. Gardens look at their best. Strawberries are in full bloom. Temperatures for the month were from 15 to 91 degrees. Alfalfa fields are being sprayed for weevils.

Garnett, Kansas, by Edward H. Yoder

The growing season is considerably later this year. April was cooler than usual, however, the later part was warmer. Corn planting was pretty well finished in April, but was delayed because of cool weather and wet ground. Gardens are looking good. Wheat is getting a good growth. Some had to be torn up due to the wet winter. Fruit trees bloomed nicely and show prospects of a good crop.

Seymour, Missouri, by Menno D. Schwartz

A nice spring but a little later than usual. Had between three and five inches of rain the last two weeks. Grass, wheat and oats had a fair chance so far. We have most of garden and truck stuff planted and up, except tomatoes, cabbage and sweet corn. Our neighbor is in the berry business, has over five acres planted in strawberries and blueberries. Blueberries want thin ground, sour and no lime.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

Spring finally came to the Ozarks the second week of April. Had about two weeks of nice weather, had begun to get dry, then in the evening of the 24th we had rain and had some rain and thunder almost every day since. Strawberries are in full bloom. Seldom have I seen every bush and tree as full of blooms as this year. Some corn is planted. Barley is heading out.

Anabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y. Bontrager

April brought us much wet, cool, and windy weather. Oats was sown the middle of the month and gardens planted. Much plowing has been done the last part of the month. April 2 we had 1½ in. rain which turned to ice. Temperature dropped to 14 on April 3. April 17 the temp. was 84. On April 23 a tornado swept 6 mi. south of here, causing much destruction. We had 2 in. rain, along with strong winds and hail, some the size of large marbles. In the storm area some hail was the size of golf balls.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

April has been mostly cool with plenty of moisture. Considerable plowing has been done. Wheat, oats, and grass fields are greening nicely. We had 5½ in. rain on the 23rd, which delayed field work a few days. Fruit trees are blooming.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

The forepart of April was quite cool. We had a freezing rain on the fourth, followed by snow. Oats sowing started the eleventh, and was all in by the nineteenth. On the 23rd and 24th we had 6 inches rain, being hard on the newly sowed oats and gardens. Some wheat and hay shows frozen up, so that it makes them thin. Apple trees are in full bloom, and trees are almost fully leafed out.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

Field work has been delayed because of wintry weather through March, and wet through April. Most of the oats were sowed 3 to 4 weeks later than usual, and there is still some to sow. There is much plowing to do yet for corn and beans.

Milton, Iowa, by Delbert R. Schmucker

April was a damp, cool month. A little plowing was done and some oats sowed. Cattle market is up to $45; feeder pigs around $1 a lb.; feeder cattle up to $36; fat hogs $41.25; corn $2.72; beans $5.30; milk $5.61.

Bloomfield, Iowa, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

On April 2 we had our last snow. We had lots of moisture throughout the month. When about dry enough for field work, it rained again, with a few nice days in between. By the last week it got nice to stay for a while, so lots of ground is being worked and oats sowed. Spring was late in coming. Wheat looks very nice. Gardens are being planted, but later than usual. School picnic on May 2.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

We are having a late spring. We have had many light rains in April, just enough to delay field work. However, most of the oats is now sowed. Some plowing has been done. Meadows have greened up fast the last ten days. We had a high of 80 on the 17th. Green pastures are about ready to graze. Some people had to buy hay yet.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

April was in general a cool month. We had three different snows; the ninth a heavy, wet snow fell. The end of the month was more sunny. We had 2 inches of rain over the week-end of the 27th. Not much field work was done until the last week, but not all oats sown yet.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Moses S. Miller

April was mostly cool, with snow in the air the forepart of the month. It turned warmer toward the middle of the month, with some cloudy, damp, and foggy weather. We had big snow banks in some places the beginning of the month, but snow was mostly gone by the 20th. We had a heavy rain the 27th which overflowed creeks. Maple syrup season was late; a short but good run.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

April was cool and damp, although we didn't have a lot of rain. We had a heavy rain the 28th which got rid of all the snow banks, Some maple syrup cooking was done in April, but wasn't as heavy a run as some years. Hardly any field work has been done yet.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Joe C. Borntreger

The weather was cool and dry the first half of April, and had occasional showers the last half. Very little field work was done in April.

Amherst Wisconsin, by Levi J. Borntrager

We had nice weather in April. At the beginning we still had a lot of snow, but it finally disappeared. We had several rains, approximately 3.2 inches altogether, and some really windy days. Was below freezing several times. Spring seems to be here now, but a little late. Not much oats sown, and very few gardens made. The horses in our neighborhood are having a very contagious cough, which appears to be shipping fever. Most horses started in less than a week's time. Some are unable to be used, and, with spring a little late, it will be still later for some farmers till they get their crops out.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William M. Schrock, Sr.

We had a lot of foggy and cloudy weather in April. April first and third it was down to zero in the morn. We had rain different times toward the end of the mon. The last week we had nice springlike weather. Grass is starting to come nice. It is a late spring.

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

April 3 we had the worst snow storm on record for April. We had 60 mph. winds, and around 20 in. snow. The storm lasted for three days. Milk trucks couldn't get through. On the 17th we had 4 in. rain in one night, which caused flooding and damage in low-lying areas. It warmed up the latter part of the month. The field work has started.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

The beginning of March was cold, followed by some rain. The week of the 24th we had freezing rain and ice that stayed on the trees for four days. On Easter it was snowing, and started blowing until visibility was very poor at night.

On April 2 it started to storm in the P. M., stormed for three days. It was still drifting on Sunday, but most roads were open so people could go to church. Roads had been closed all day Thursday and most of

Friday. It stayed cool all the next week. Snow started to melt by the middle of the month. We had rain April 23. It is still cool, but is drying off.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

April brought us a surprise this year. The first two days we had a good bit of snow .On the third it snowed and was stormy. With all the fresh snow around and blowing, it soon made visibility very poor. Not much traffic was moving. Most people who had gone any distance that day didn't go home. The next day it continued, but let up more by spells. The rest of the month we had mostly warm weather, without much rain. The snow banks soon disappeared. Farmers are plowing, but it is too wet to do much more. Maple syrup wasn't so plentiful this year, around here.

Aylmer, Ontario, by LeRoy Eicher

We had quite a bit of winter in March. Sometimes it was springlike, sometimes a lot of rain, and sometimes real winter. Grain has dropped some. Hay is expensive, from $1.25 to $2.00 a bale.

The first week of April we had winter weather, snow and high winds. Then we had more sunny weather, a few days rain, and more wind. The last week it was quite warm. Some oats has been sowed, but some have only been able to get in the fields. Spring seems to be late this year. Grain has come down some. Hay has also dropped from $1.50 to $1.00 a bale.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

April will long be remembered for the blizzard of April 3rd. This area was not as hard hit as further north. April was cool and dry. The last snow disappeared about the 20th. We had high winds and some rain on the 18th and 19th. Except for plowing, hardly any field work done during the month. Grass is growing very slowly.

MARRIAGES

Dover, Delaware

Beachy, Miller – John E., son of Matilda and the late Dan J. Beachy, to Barbara, daughter of John E. and Rhoda (Yoder) Miller, April 10, by Bishop Noah Byler of Canada.

Byler, Miller – David R., son of Rudy and Lydia Byler, to Lydia, daughter of Adam E. and Lizzie Miller, April 29, by Bishop John J. Yoder.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Miller, Stoltzfoos – Widower Levi Miller, Paradise R1, to Susan F., daughter of Ammon B. and Malinda E. Stoltzfoos, Leola R1, April 10, Bishop John L. Stoltzfus.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Coblentz – Elmer, son of Jacob M. and Amelia (Mullet) Byler, to Saloma, daughter of Eli D. and Katie (Detweiler) Coblentz, April 3, by Jake E. Schlabach of Smicksburg, Pa.

Conewango Valley, New York

Hostetler, Miller – Ervin, son of Ervin Hostetlers of Punxsutawney, Pa., to Tena, daughter of Levi D. and Rebecca (Yoder) Miller, April 15, by Bishop Noah B. Detweiler.

Geauga County, Ohio

Miller, Troyer – Ray, son of Rudy A. Millers, to Leah, daughter of John M. Troyers, April 17th.

Miller, Miller – Jonas, son of Joe J. Millers, to Barbara Ann, daughter of Eli D. Millers, April 17th.

Wayne County, Ohio

Coblentz, Lehman – Emanuel, son of Roy Coblentzs from Ashland, Ohio, to Fannie, daughter of Mrs. Katie Lehman and the late Enos Lehman, May 1.

Holmes County, Ohio

Yoder, Gingerich – Atlee J., son of John N. and Mary (Keim) Yoder of Dundee, to Arie, daughter of Albert M. and Ada (Yoder) Gingerich of Fredericksburg on March 13th.

Yoder, Mast – Eli, son of Andy M. and Mattie (Schlabach) Yoder, to Arie, daughter of Sam L. and Sarah (Yoder) Mast, both of Fredericksburg R2, on March 27th.

Yoder, Weaver – Sam, son of Joe J. Yoders, to Mary, daughter of Eli H. and Elizabeth (Miller) Weaver, April 5, by Andy J. Mast.

Miller, Erb – Daniel, son of Albert D. and Fannie (Schlabach) Miller, to Mary Ellen, daughter of John A. and Alta (Mullett) Erb, April 10, in Andy Troyer District.

Miller, Yutzy – Reuben Jr., son of Reuben R. and Ella (Weaver) Miller of Holmesville, to Esther, daughter of Mose E. and Anna (Miller) Yutzy of Millersburg Star Route on April 15th.

Yoder, Miller – Ivan, son of Joe and Sarah (Miller) Yoder of Dundee, to Clara, daughter of Simon R. and Anna (Bowman) Miller, Millersburg R5, April 17th.

Hershberger, Yoder – Owen, son of Mose E. and Sarah (Mast) Hershberger of Baltic R1, to Mary, daughter of Mrs. Viola and the late John G. Yoder of Millersburg R3, April 24, by Bishop Dan G. Yoder.

Mast, Miller – Ben, son of Moses B. and Katie (Coblentz) Mast, and Laura, daughter of Owen J. and Esther (Yoder) Miller, May 8th.

Centreville, Michigan

Miller, Bontrager – Leroy, son of Roman and the late Mildred (Gingerich) Miller, to Elizabeth, daughter of Levi J. and Mary (Yoder) Bontrager, April 27, by Wm. P. Miller.

Allen County, Indiana

Miller, Schmucker – Melvin, son of Bill and Amanda (Lengacher) Miller, to Rosa Mae, daughter of John and Katie (Graber) Schmucker, April 6, by Bishop Noah Eicher.

Adams County, Indiana

Christner, Schwartz – Enos C., son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Christner, Berne R2, to Becky T., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christ M. Schwartz, Berne R2, Mar. 20.

Eicher, Graber – David A. J., son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos N. Eicher, Geneva R2, to Adeline S., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Graber, Geneva R2, April 3rd.

Schwartz, Byler – Jake I., son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan C. Schwartz, Geneva R2, to Lizzie Ann Byler of Pennsylvania on April 3rd.

MARRIAGES, Continued

LaGrange County, Indiana

Kurtz, Mast – Jacob, son of Ben J. and Mary (Beechy) Kurtz, to Fannie Irene, daughter of John L. and Edna (Schlabach) Mast, April 3rd.

Bontrager, Lambright – Ezra, son of Harley and Orpha (Lambright) Bontrager, to Irene, daughter of Pre. Daniel J. and Wilma (Bontrager) Lambright, April 10, by Bishop Daniel J. Bontrager.

Nappanee, Indiana

Bontrager, Stutzman – Harley Jr., son of Min. Harley and Mary Ellen (Slabach) Bontrager, to Treva, daughter of Dan and Anna (Slabaugh) Stutzman, April 30th at Nappanee, Indiana.

Arthur, Illinois

Miller, Kaufman – Alva E., son of Dea. Eli A. Miller, to Verba E., daughter of Ervin and Tillie S. Kaufman, April 3rd.

Miller, Yoder – Omer D., son of Daniel and Lena (Schrock) Miller, to Nancy C., daughter of Cris N. and Susie (Plank) Yoder, April 11th.

Schlabaugh, Diener – Glen, son of Louis and Mattie (Mast) Schlabaugh, to Irene, daughter of Enos M. and Martha J. (Schrock) Diener, April 17th.

Pike County, Missouri

Burkholder, Eicher – Sam, son of Pre. Chriss and Leah Burkholder, to Magdalena, daughter of Dave R. and Sarah Eicher, February 6th.

Yoder, Mast – Johnie A., son of Andy and Betty Yoder, to Lovina, daughter of Felty and Barbara Mast, April 3rd.

Burkholder, Lee – Simon, son of Pre. Chriss and Leah Burkholder, to Naoma, daughter of Milton and Winifred Lee, April 24th.

Johnson County, Iowa

Kauffman, Beachy – Norman, son of Abe Kauffman, to Judy, daughter of Earl Beachy, May 8, in Bishop Jonas Beachy's district.

Miller, Bontrager – Paul T., son of Toby Miller, to Mary, daughter of Eli M. B. Bontrager, in Truman Miller's district, by Bishop Elmer T. Miller.

Milverton, Ontario

Jantzi, Kuepfer – Solomon, son of Noah and Lizzie Jantzi, Milverton R1, to Eileen, daughter of John and Martha Kuepfer, Millbank R1, March 20, by Bishop Amos Albrecht.

Grey County, Ontario

Yoder, Zook – Peter J., son of Joe P. and Lydia (Shetler) Yoder, to Barbara D., daughter of Dan J. and Katie (Gingerich) Zook, April 3, by Bishop Eli Stutzman, Ethridge, Tennessee.

Zook, Schrock – Eli P., son of Peter J. and Mary (Yoder) Zook, to Verna A., daughter of Andy A. and Anna (Hershberger) Schrock, April 10, by Bishop Eli Stutzman, Ethridge, Tennessee.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Somerset Co., Pa.

Nancy, age 8, daughter of Anos and Lizzie Mast, Grantsville, Md., had the flu and got double pneumonia and had an extremely high temperature. Tests were taken but no definite diagnosis given. She was taken to Pittsburgh Children's hospital first, stayed several weeks then returned home, was at home one day then was taken to Meyersdale Community Hospital, where she stayed two weeks. She was home till Tuesday evening, April 22nd, when she became sick and was again taken to Pittsburgh.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Grey County, Ontario

Jacob P. Gingerich is at home from the hospital again and is slowly improving from a heart condition. His wife, Lizzie was in the hospital earlier in the winter, also with a heart condition. She is also improving.

Delila A., daughter of Andy A. and Anna Schrock, entered the hospital again on April 17th for an operation on her other eye. She was operated on earlier in the winter on the one eye. She has glaucoma. She is coming along as good as can be expected.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Stark County, Ohio

There was a sherriff sale to sell a farm of 125 acres, near New Philadelphia, Ohio, which brought $310,000. The man that bought it said he was going to farm it. This would make it around $2400 an acre, and it has very few buildings on it.

LANCASTER CO., PA. BARN FIRE

On Monday evening, April 7th, the barn on the John M. and Moses Stoltzfoos farm, Ronks R1, was destroyed by fire for the second time in a little over two years, both times by arson. A 17-year-old youth was held on the charges this time. The top of the barn was severely charred and was torn down, but they were again able to save the stables. The following morning the stables were ready for the cows, after neighbors worked most of the night to clean out the debris. Till Tuesday evening, April 15th, the barn was very nearly complete.

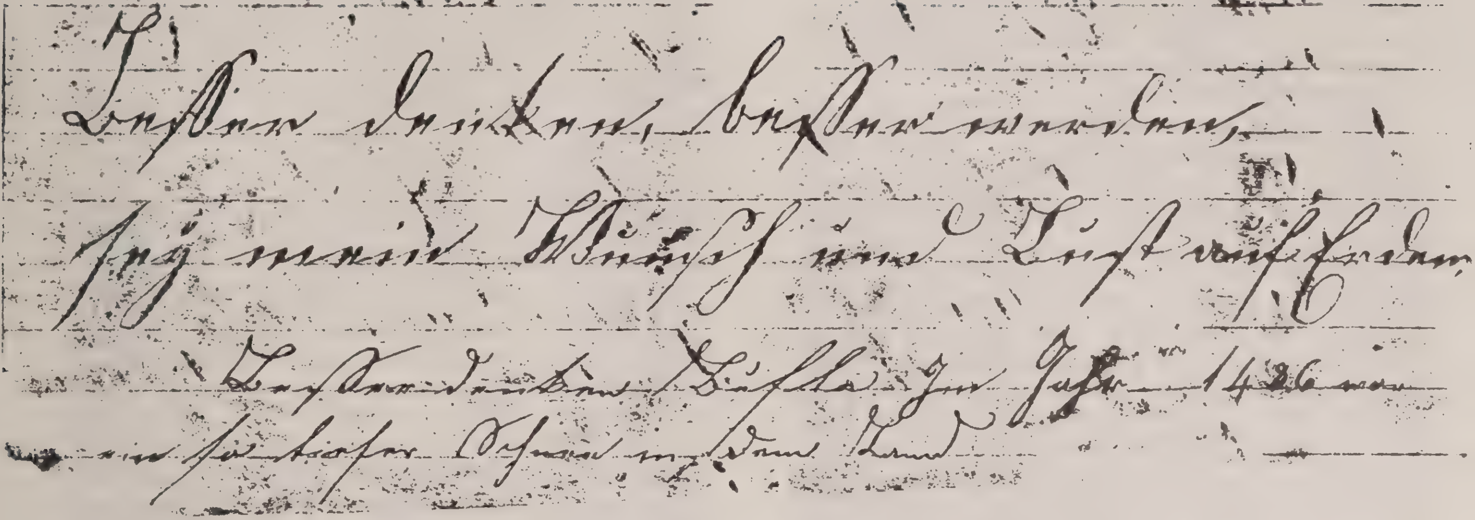
LANCASTER CO., PA. HOUSE FIRE

On April 18th Andy and Naomi (King) Beiler, of Bird-in-Hand R1, had a house fire from an overheated chimney, or else a spark on a shingle roof. Friends and neighbors gathered and put part of a new roof and some attic floor on. There was not much water damage to the second floor of the house.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Bronson, Michigan

Truman Borntrager lost a finger from a circular saw cut. Serious sickness of strep throat and flu have been reported in this area most of the late spring.

NOTICE!! We publish a "Senior Sunshine" page in the June issue of THE DIARY each year, listing our older members who are 80 years old and older. We would like to bring this list up to date in the June 1975 issue. Please send us any corrections and additions to last year's list. Anyone please feel free to send them to us.



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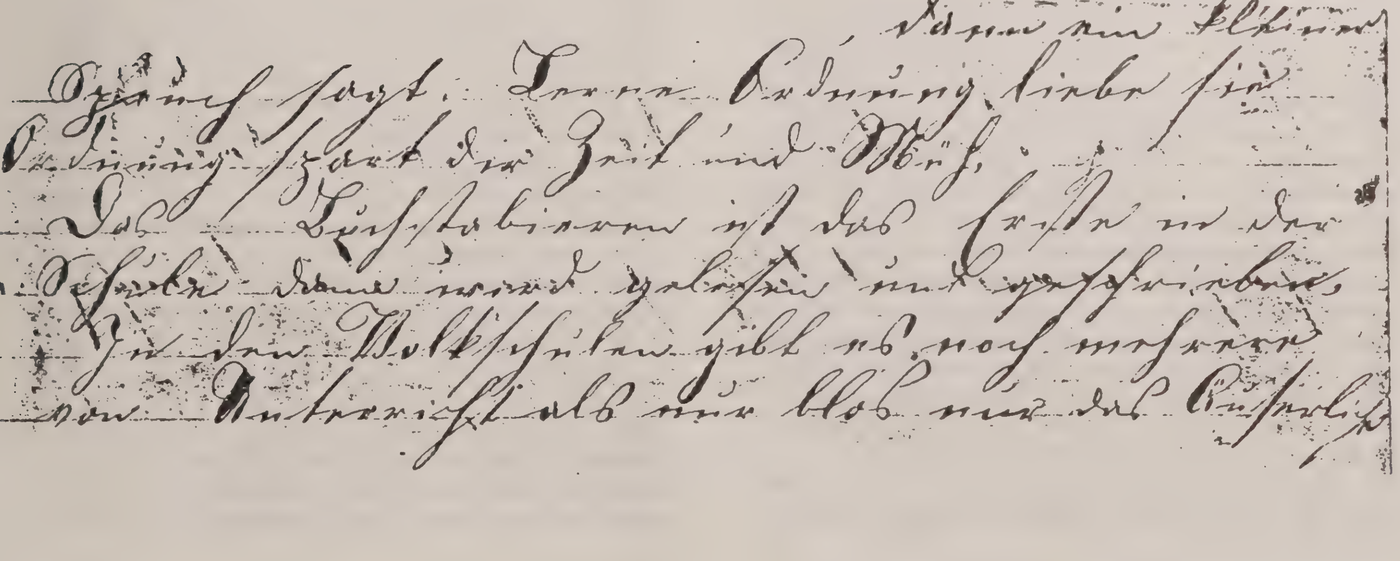

dann ein kleiner
Spruch sagt: Lerne Ordnung, liebe sie
Ordnung spart dir Zeit und Müh.
Das Buchstabieren ist das Erste in der
Schule dann wird gelesen und geschrieben.
In den Volksschulen gibt es noch mehrere
von Unterricht als nur blos nur das [illegible]

To Recall a Few Memories of the past

THE JOHN OR HANS AND MARY (EICHELMAN) BLANK FAMILY OF COCALICO TOWNSHIP

By Amos L. Fisher and Levi L. Stoltzfus

Continued from last month

Next on the list of the Bishop John Blank Family is (48) John Blank (2), born Sept. 24, 1784, died May 24, 1848 at 36 years of age, married to Fannie Lantz, a daughter of Jacob and Magdalena (Kurtz) Lantz of Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. John Blank Jr. was ordained minister in the same district as his father and also his brother, Samuel Blank, and his brother, Christian Blank as deacon. (See last month issue of The Diary showing where John Blank Jr. lived.) They had seven children which grew to adulthood and married—namely, (49) Lydia Blank (48), born May 22, 1811, died April 24, 1851, married to John Neuhauser, son of Christian and Magdalena (Zwalder) Neuhauser (see October 1972 issue of The Diary for further reference). (50) Samuel L. Blank (48), born Oct. 24, 1813, died Nov. 20, 1877, married first to Veronica, or Fanny, Umble, daughter of John and Polly (Kurtz) Umble. He married second to Lovina Massey. There were nine children from the first marriage and six from the second, being mostly affiliated with the Mennonite Church and also the more liberal churches throughout the United States. Samuel L. died in Greensboro, Maryland in 1877, his remains were brought to Lancaster County and buried in the old Blank Cemetery at Spring Garden.

(51) Jacob Blank (48), born March 28, 1816, died Feb. 28, 1893, married to Mary Stoltzfus, a daughter of David and Anna (Fisher) Stoltzfus. They moved from the Spring Garden district to one mile north of New Holland. There is a very large offspring of this family in the Amish Church of Lancaster County including Deacon Joseph Blank as a great-grandchild and our present Bishop David Blank a great-great-grandson of Jacob.

(52) John Blank (48), died in 1822 at four years of age.

(53) Christian Blank (48), born Sept. 8, 1820, died Aug. 6, 1874, married to Sarah Kurtz, a daughter of Christian and Catharine (King) Kurtz. They had three children, all married and living in the Gap area.

(54) Mattie Blank (48), born April 12, 1823, died Nov. 20, 1887, married to John Smucker, a son of David and Mary (Lapp) Smucker. They had several children—namely, (55) David Smoker (54), lived in Chester County; (56) Fannie Smoker (54), married to Jacob Kauffman, Preacher Israel Stoltzfus of Union being a great-great-grandson of Mattie Blank; (57) Mary Smoker (54), married to Eli Kauffman, the grandparent of Pre. Amos Lapp of near New Holland; (58) Amos Smoker (54), better known as "Swan" Amos Smoker; (59) Mattie Smoker (54), married to Amos Lapp, who was ordained deacon, died in 1931, his son Jacob Lapp being ordained deacon in his place; there are also several grandchildren, Bishop Amos S. Lapp and Bishop Jonas S. Lapp.

(60) Stephen Blank (48), born Jan. 30, 1826, died Jan. 18, 1857, married to Nancy Stoltzfus. He was instantly killed along the railroad when his team became unruly. They had one child, (61) Fannie Blank (60), married to John Lapp, who were the grandparents of the before mentioned Pre. Amos L. Lapp of near New Holland and also of Bishop John L. Stoltzfus, and Levi L. Stoltzfus, co-writer of this article. Nancy Blank then remarried to Joseph Y. Beiler, the parents of the late Bishop John Beiler of Groffdale.

(61) Jacob Blank (2), another son of Bishop John Blank, of which we have very little record. There was a Jacob Blank living in Salisbury Township who was married twice and had eight children from his first wife and four children by his second marriage. If this is the son of Bishop John Blank is yet to be found out.

(62) Samuel Blank (2), born July 23, 1788, died Oct. 27, 1864, he was minister in the Lower Pequea district with his father and two brothers. He married to Barbara Yoder, daughter of John and Magdalena (Garver) Yoder, John Yoder being a son of Strong Jacob Yoder. As you notice on the map of last month, Samuel Blank owned several tracts of land in Salisbury Township. To them were born three children—namely, (63) Martha Blank (62), born in 1820 or 21, died Feb. 2, 1890, age 69 years, buried at the United Brethren Cemetery at Intercourse, she married to Leonard Glendening; (64) John Blank (62), died in 1862 and left a wife, Mary Ann, his mother, Barbara Blank, was also living at the time; (65) Jane Blank (62), died Nov. 29, 1889 at the age of 58 years, is also buried at the Intercourse Cemetery.

(65) Barbara Blank (2), another daughter of Bishop John Blank, was born Feb. 2, 1790, died March 5, 1873, married to Christian Neuhauser. (See article about the Neuhauser Family in the October 1972 issue of The Diary.)

(66) Elizabeth Blank (2), born June 11, 1792, she was the second wife of Christian Fisher, born Feb. 20, 1789. Elizabeth died Jan. 24, 1874, her husband, Christian Fisher, died one week later on Feb. 1, 1874. There is a very large offspring from this family in Lancaster County, they being the great-great-grandparents of the writer.

(67) Christian Blank (2), the youngest son of Bishop John Blank by his first wife, was born June 24, 1794, died April 7, 1844 in Juniata County, Pa. He was only eight days old when his mother died. We often wonder how our ancestor felt being left alone with eight children to care for without a mother and being bishop of his congregation. This Christian Blank married to Catharine Yoder in Lancaster County, born March 2, 1804, died March 17, 1887 and is buried in Millwood Cemetery in Lancaster County. She was a daughter of John and Magdalena (Zook) Yoder, who moved to Juniata County where they died, and are buried there. Christian Blank was ordained a deacon in the Lower Pequea district where his father was bishop and, as mentioned before, his two brothers, John Blank and Samuel Blank, were ministers. Christian Blank and his wife Catharine and family except their oldest son moved to Juniata County, Pa., and after being there for only a few years the family

took sick and sent to Lancaster County for aid. The oldest son, John Y. Blank who was already married to Susan Stoltzfus, left Lancaster County for Juniata County in 1844 to help his parents. After being there for a few days he took sick also and died one week before his father, Christian Blank, died. John Y. Blank, the son, was born Oct. 9, 1823, died April 1, 1844, and his father, Christian Blank, died April 7, 1844. Both are buried at the Spruce Hill Cemetery west of Port Royal in Juniata County, Pennsylvania. After the death of Catharine (Yoder) Blank's husband and son she, with the rest of her family, moved back to Lancaster County, where she later remarried to Christian Stoltzfus, or better known as "der long Christ Stoltzfus," a son of Bishop John and Veronica (King) Stoltzfus. Christian Stoltzfus' first wife was Mary Summers.

To Deacon Christian and Catharine (Yoder) Blank were born six children—namely, (68) John Y. Blank (67), as mentioned before, married to Susan Stoltzfus. She remarried to David Beiler, who were the great-grandparents of Bishop John Beiler of Quarryville, Bishop Enos Beiler of Bird-in-Hand, and Deacon Amos Beiler of Leola.

(69) Christian Y. Blank (67), born in 1851, married to Christian Umble. Their son, Henry Blank, married to Lydia Zook and were the grandparents of the present minister, Moses Blank of Millwood.

(70) Samuel Y. Blank (67), born Jan. 1, 1831, died in 1867, was ordained to the ministry in the Lower Pequea Church, and was married to Hannah Stoltzfus, a sister to Nancy Stoltzfus who had married to Stephen Blank, mentioned before in this article. They were the parents of the late Pre. David Y. Blank of Groffdale.

(71) David Y. Blank (67), born in 1836, moved to Springfield, Missouri, where he died.

(72) Elizabeth Blank (67), born Jan. 1, 1839, died Jan. 26, 1903.

(73) Daniel Y. Blank (67), born Sept. 20, 1842, died Nov. 9, 1905, was single, and is buried in the Millwood Cemetery.

Bishop John Blank married his second wife, Barbara Yoder, born about 1763, died in 1837, a daughter of Strong Jacob and Anna Yoder. To this union were born four children—namely, (74) Esther Blank (2), born Dec. 31, 1797. She died Aug. 30, 1799 at the age of two years.

(75) Sarah Blank (2), born Aug. 30, 1799, died in 1862, married to Nicholas Plank, born in 1782, died Oct. 11, 1859, son of John and Franney (Smucker) Blank. They had three children who died young and (76) John Y. Plank (75), born July 26, 1818, died in 1865, married to Charity ———, who died April 23, 1889 at the age of 72 years. They had nine children, four who died in infancy; the rest are (77) Barbara (76), born in 1844, died in 1864; (78) Jacob H. Plank (76), born in 1844; (79) Sarah Plank (76), married to Jacob Reeser; (80) John Nicholas Plank (76); (81) Clement Plank (76); and (81) Elhannan W. Plank (76). Sarah Blank, the widow of Nicholas Blank, remarried to Jacob Mast, son of Christian and Susanna (Kurtz) Mast of Caernarvon Township.

(82) Rachel Blank (2), born April 5, 1802, died Feb. 6, 1873, married to Daniel Mast of Morgantown, Caernarvon Twp., Lancaster County, Pa., son of John and Mary (Kurtz) Mast. Daniel was one of the early ordained ministers of the Conestoga Valley. They were the parents of ten children, the oldest being (83) John P. Mast (82), married to Anna Zook. He also was a minister and in 1877 went with the Amish Mennonite group and was elected their first bishop. No children were born to this union. (84) Sarah Mast (82), married to David Stoltzfus, also a minister, were the grandparents of the late Bishop D. Ira Stoltzfus and the present Bishop Sam F. Stoltzfus of Beuna Vista District. There is a large offspring of this family among the Amish in Lancaster County at present. (85) Mary Mast (82), married to Samuel Petersehim, Mennonite; (86) Levi Mast (82), married to Christena Zook; (87) Fanny Mast (82), married to Christian Z. Beiler, grandparents of the late Bishop Christian R. Beiler; (89) Hannah Mast (82), married to Jacob F. Stoltzfus; (90) Lydia Mast (82), died single from wounds received from burglars.

(91) Daniel Blank (2), the youngest of the family of Bishop John Blank, died single. To be continued

CHEER FOR OLD AGE

They call it going down the hill
When we are growing old,
They say in mournful accents
That our "tale is told;"
They sigh when talking of the past,
The days that used to be,
As if the future were not bright
With immorality.

But, oh, it is not going down;
It's climbing high and higher,
Until we almost see the mansions
That our souls desire;
For if the natural eye grows dim,
It is but dim to earth,
While the eye of faith grows keener
To perceive the Saviour's worth.

Who would exchange, for shooting blade,
The waving golden grain,
Or when the corn is fully ripe,
Would wish it green again;
And who would wish the hoary head,
Found in the Way of Truth,
To be again encircled with
The sunny locks of youth?

For though, in truth, the outward man
Must perish and decay,
The inward man shall be renewed
By grace from day to day.
Those who are planted by the Lord,
Unshaken by their root,
E'en in old age shall flourish still,
And still shall bring forth fruit.

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THE AMISH MENNONITES OF UNION COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

John Umble

I. Social and Religious Life

Continued from last month

On one occasion when two Union county young men were visiting in Champaign county, Ohio, about 1880, they created a sensation by singing, respectively, tenor and bass. But the first few lines of the hymn were not ended before Bishop Warye arose, struck the pulpit dask a blow with his hand, and commanded the congregation to stop. After the stern rebuke, "Net Bass singa," the congregation proceeded. The young men were in the wrong, to be sure. They would not have been allowed to sing tenor or bass in the Union county church service, but they had visited a few congregations where four-part singing was permitted and thought, no doubt, that it might pass unnoticed in western Ohio.

Another phase of social life was visiting Amish Mennonite communities in other counties. Most of the Amish were farmers, primarily. When the winter supply of feed had been gathered into the barn, the live stock comfortably housed, vegetables and fruit stored in the cellar, the butchering done and the meat "put down," only a small part of the available farm labor was required to "do the chores" and "look after the stock." Hence the younger members of the Union county families took turns doing this necessary work and spending weeks or even months visiting relatives and friends in Mifflin or Lancaster county or in Maryland. The 1875 diary of a nineteen year old young women in Union county shows that she was visiting relatives, Peacheys and Bylers, in Mifflin county in January, and Kauffmans, Zooks, Kennels, Umbles, Lantzes, Neuhausers and Bylers in Lancaster county in December. The cost of such a trip was very low. An idle team and a bobsled furnished cheap transportation. Hosts and guests exchanged presents, but no one paid for board or lodging. The commodious Amish farm houses were well-stocked with feather beds; cellar, pantry, and smokehouse held plenteous stores of pure, wholesome food. To offer pay would have been considered an insult to the hospitality of the hostess.

Not only did the Union county young folks exchange visits with those of Lancaster and Mifflin, but Union county served as a meeting place for Lancaster and Mifflin county young people. One winter in the early eighties a three-seated sled drawn by a team of spirited horses left Mifflin for Union carrying, among others, S. E. Allgyer, of West Liberty, Ohio, then a young man scarcely out of his teens. He still recalls with pleasure the excellent entertainment, hospitable homes, and the fine group of sociable young people in Union county. Visitors were delighted with the air of culture and refinement in the home of Joel Riehl. When the group of young people was ready to return to Mifflin, they set out from the Joel Riehl home. Before day, the visitors were seated in the sleigh ready to depart, the entire family and a considerable company of Lancaster county visitors assembled in the yard under the stars twinkling in the frosty air, and sang impressively the old favorite, "I am going round the mountain, don't you weep for me." Then amid hearty good-byes, the tinkling of bells, and the crunching of snow, they were off for the sixty-five mile drive to Mifflin where they arrived late the same evening. These visits naturally resulted in considerabke intermarriage between the young people of the three counties.

Weddings were made a time of general rejoicing. A number of former Union county residents still recall the double wedding on December 11, 1879 of the two eldest daughters of Deacon Christian Stoltzfus and his second wife, Lydia Beiler. The wedding was semi-public, the entire congregation assembling as if for church services. Guests were invited, to be sure, but no one of the congregation was overlooked.

Funerals, like weddings, were made the occasion for a complete church service. Embalming was unknown. Whenever it was necessary to delay a funeral to await the arrival of friends from a distance, an undertaker who owned an ice-box was employed to preserve the body. Under ordinary circumstances, Samuel Kennel made the coffin and conveyed the body to the cemetery in his family carriage. Kennel had cut down a number of large walnut trees and had them sawed into boards which he stored in his workshop. He also kept a dozen or more walnut coffins in stock. The body of the deceased was "laid-out," that is, washed and dressed, by friends of the family. Until the funeral several friends "sat up" with the corpse. The corpse was never alone for a moment from death to burial. At night Union county custom called for young unmarried couples to watch beside the dead. A liberal midnight lunch was set to help them keep awake. On the day of the burial the entire congregation took dinner at the late home of the deceased and it was expected that as large a number as possible should return to the home for supper after the burial at the cemetery. Family "graveyards" were the rule instead of community burial grounds. At least three existed in the Union county community: the Lantz cemetery in East Buffalo township on the Lewisburg-Mifflinburg pike; the Beiler cemetery, three and a half miles farther south and a little west on the Furnace Road, and the Stoltzfus cemetery, north of Buffalo creek in Kelly township on Deacon Stoltzfus' farm.

In the earlier years of the colony young people usually married at twenty-one and then united with the church. In the later years they united with the church at an earlier age. The deacon's youngest daughters were baptized at fifteen and seventeen during the seventies. Unlike the children of Mennonite parentage in parts of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, Elkhart county, Indiana, and a few other localities where the young people wore fashionable dress before uniting with the church and then on being baptized adopted the plain attire required by the denomination, Union county Amish children almost from infancy dressed like their elders in the garb still in vogue in

Old Order Amish communities. When they wished to unite with the church, they or their parents signified their intention to the ministers who forthwith organized a class for instruction. The young people being instructed were spoken of as "following, or attending to, the church," "der Gma nachgehen." The class met with the ministers for instruction before every Sunday service. After the congregation had sung the opening hymns, the ministers and the young people under instruction filed into the room for the regular service.

Instruction was entirely informal. Each minister, speaking without notes, rehearsed parts of the biblical narrative or explained the doctrines of the church. After weeks and months of instructions the ministers announced baptismal services for a certain date in late spring or early summer. The original Amish mode of pouring, with the candidate kneeling on the floor of the dwelling house where church services were being held, was given up in Union county during the controversy that threatened to divide certain Amish churches during the fifties and sixties. According to the new mode the candidate knelt in a stream (in living, that is, running, water) while the officiating "Voelliger Diener" stood in the stream and, dipping water from the stream with his cupped hands, poured it on the head of the applicant.

Before baptism the young men, in addition to the usual vows to renounce the world and remain obedient to the church, were required to promise that they would accept the duties of the ministry if elected by the congregation and chosen by lot. The marriage vows of a bride included a solemn promise to accept the duties of a minister's wife if her husband should be called to the ministry, and to give her active support to his work. To young farmers with meager educational advantages and no talent for public speaking, the taking of this vow was so great a burden that a few refused to unite with the church on that account.

When a vacancy occurred among the ministry, the congregation usually voted to set a date for the election and to call in one or more bishops from neighboring congregations to assist in the ordination. Three steps were involved in selecting a minister: election, by the meeting, of candidates for the lot; choice of one or more of the candidates by lot; and ordination by one or more "Voellige Diener." The time announced for the election having arrived, the entire ministerial body including the "Armendiener" withdrew to a separate room. Members of the congregation were then expected to go to this room one at a time and speak their preference for minister. The ministers sometimes secretly rejected unacceptable candidates but probably in the majority of cases they reported all those who had received even one vote. This was true in some cases at least. The announcement of the names of those who were to pass through the lot was the signal for general weeping by wives, mothers, children and other relatives. Sometimes on such occasions almost the entire congregation was in tears, tears prompted by fear and pity, fear lest a loved one should be chosen, pity for his having to bear the burdens of the ministry. A contemporary recalls that "the ordination of a minister in an Amish congregation was the most solemn and pathetic service in the church next to a funeral, with the possible exception of the excommunication of a fallen member."

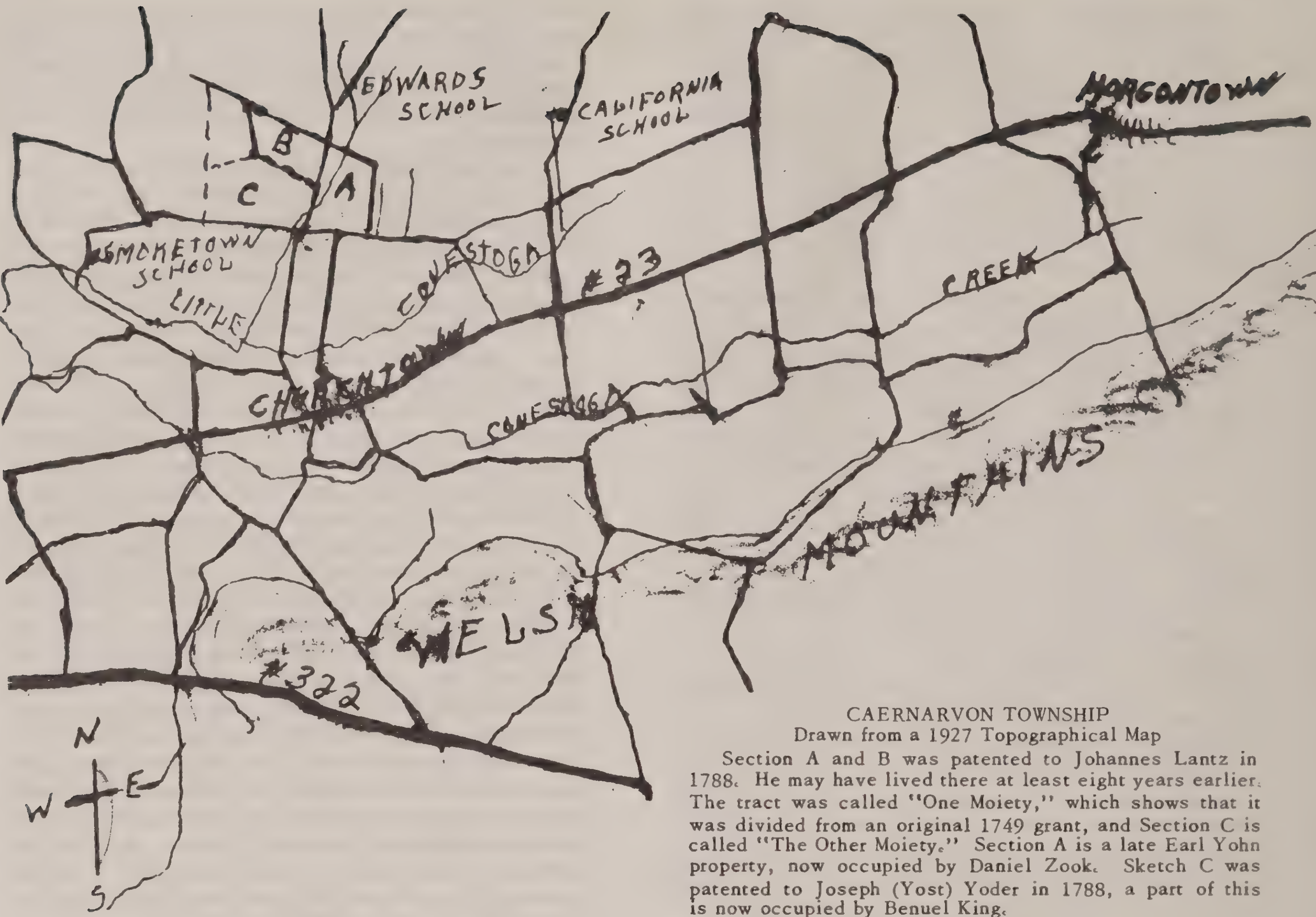
After the election the ministers prepared to choose by lot one candidate for ordination. On the table they placed as many hymn books as there were candidates. One book contained a slip of paper with the words, "The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof is of the Lord," Proverbs 16:33. The candidates walked to the table one by one and drew a book. The ordaining bishops then undid the fastenings and examined each book in turn until they found the one containing the slip. Whoever drew the book containing this slip was declared chosen. About 1880, when an election was being held at the home of Samuel Kennel in Union county, a grandson of Deacon Christian Stoltzfus drew the fateful book. The shock was too great for the young man. He fell to the floor unconscious. It was thought that he had fainted. After all efforts to revive him proved unavailing, a physician was called. "They worked with him half a day to revive him," reports one who was present. The unfortunate young man was never ordained. Some of the ministers, however, thought that he should submit himself to the decision of the lot. He never quite recovered from the experience. He was a carpenter by trade and his boss often came upon him to find him sitting or standing, his hammer ready to strike and his eyes fixed on vacancy. If undisturbed, he soon resumed his work. He was obsessed by a fear that he was committing a grievous sin by refusing the call of God, but his fear of undertaking the work of the ministry was still greater.

When the ministers saw that this young man would not consent to be ordained, they decided to hold another election. The young man on whom the lot fell in the second election, crushed by the weight of responsibility and his feeling of utter unfitness for the task, experienced fits of melancholy for a considerable period after his ordination. He came to Deacon Christian Stoltzfus one day and begged to be excommunicated. He recovered from his despondency, however, and performed his duties in a thoroughly conscientious manner.

Over its members, the congregation excercised strict discipline. According to the concept of the church and her organization held by the Amish church fathers, none but a perfect and spotless church could be tolerated. The slightest infraction of the numerous church regulations called down on the transgressor the displeasure not only of the ministers but of the entire congregation as well. When met in executive session for the purpose of disciplining a disobedient member the group could be extremely hard and uncompromising.

To be continued

(Editor's note: Parts of this text which refer to Amish customs in general and are not pertinent to Union County history have been omitted S. F.)



CAERNARVON TOWNSHIP
Drawn from a 1927 Topographical Map

Section A and B was patented to Johannes Lantz in 1788. He may have lived there at least eight years earlier. The tract was called "One Moiety," which shows that it was divided from an original 1749 grant, and Section C is called "The Other Moiety." Section A is a late Earl Yohn property, now occupied by Daniel Zook. Sketch C was patented to Joseph (Yost) Yoder in 1788, a part of this is now occupied by Benuel King.

The Lantz Family

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they came from in Europe but it is generally agreed that they migrated from the Palatinate.

Now we have two other accounts in legal form of Lantz families which may account for the other ones on the Strassburger-Hinke shiplists. A Jacob Lantz has a warrant to a tract of land in Hanover Township, now Lebanon County, in 1754. Perhaps this is also the family that C. Z. Mast writes aboutin"Annals of Conestoga Valley." There are still some of his descendants living in Lebanon and Dauphin Counties today. The name is mostly spelled Lantz. It is believed that Senator Lentz is a descendant. A John Lantz is also an early grantee of now Lebanon County in 1776.

Another Lantz clan existed in Lampeter Township, Lancaster County. A certain Jacob Lantz bought a tract in said township in 1795. Paul Lantz bought a similar tract in 1790. Their father, Hans Lantz, is probably another immigrant and settled in Lampeter Township quite early. A source of the Lancaster County Historical Society says that this family name was changed to Landus.

Johannes Lantz

Johannes Lantz came to port September 15, 1749, on ship Phoenix. On April 15th he is warranted a tract of 59 acres in now Penn Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, a few miles north of Bernville. Here he settled next to Jacob Kauffman and Jacob Mast who is the father-in-law of Jacob Kauffman. To the north is Scull hill and Ulrich Speicher. A mile to the east is Henry Bussard. Johannes Lantz settled here with his wife Anna.

In 1808 this property was patented to John Mast. In 1788 Johannes and Anna Lantz received a patent for a tract of 180 acres on the north ridge of the Conestoga Valley in western most end of the new Amish settlement, about a mile and a half north of present Churchtown.

Perhaps about this time they followed the Conestoga movement from the Northkill group to make this their new and final dwelling place. In 1795 this tract, called "One Moiety," was deeded to his son Jacob. In 1797 Jacob and his wife, Magdalena (Kurtz) Lantz, sold the plantation to an Andrew Weiler, and moved to Mifflin County, Pennsylvania.

Johannes Lantz died in 1789, leaving a widow and six sons. It is most likely that Johannes is buried on the Caernarvon Township plantation. We have no account of his wife Anna's death.

The Johannes Lantz Family

According to his will, probated in Lancaster County court house, Johannes Lantz leaves six sons, although one has preceded him in death—namely Samuel; 1. Christian 2. John 3. Jacob 4. Samuel 5. Peter 6. Henry. Jacob is to have the home farm and he, with a friend, John Gnagey, are named to be the executors. Yost Yoder and Jacob Hartzler are witnesses. The heirs of 4. Samuel are two sons, John and Samuel. We have no record of 5. Peter and 6. Henry.

1. Christian Lantz, married Barbara Kurtz. They moved to Mifflin County, Pennsylvania.

2. John Lantz, married Frena Beiler (see page 144 of 1974 Volume of The Diary). A Lancaster County deed (S–507) says that John Lantz from Caernarvon Township bought a tract from David Keller in Heidelberg Township, now Lebanon County, in 1776. It is evident that John and Frena lived there until death.

3. Jacob Lantz, married Magdalena Kurtz, daughter of Stephen Kurtz of now Lebanon County. Our present Lantzes of the Millcreek derive from this union.

4. Samuel Lantz, married Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel and Anna (Yoder) King. Samuel died intestate in Berks County, Pennsylvania, leaving two sons, 41. John and 42. Samuel. Elizabeth married the second time to Christian Stoltzfus.

41. John Lantz, (information to this family will appear in a later article by Amos L. Fisher).

42. Samuel Lantz, married to Magdalena Fisher (see Fisher Book, No. 1420). He bought a tract of land from Andrew Eby, in 1804, in Leacock Township, Lancaster County. In 1834 the tract was sold and they moved to Union County, where they died.

A more extensive study on Lantz geneology, by Amos L. Fisher, will follow in future issues of The Diary.

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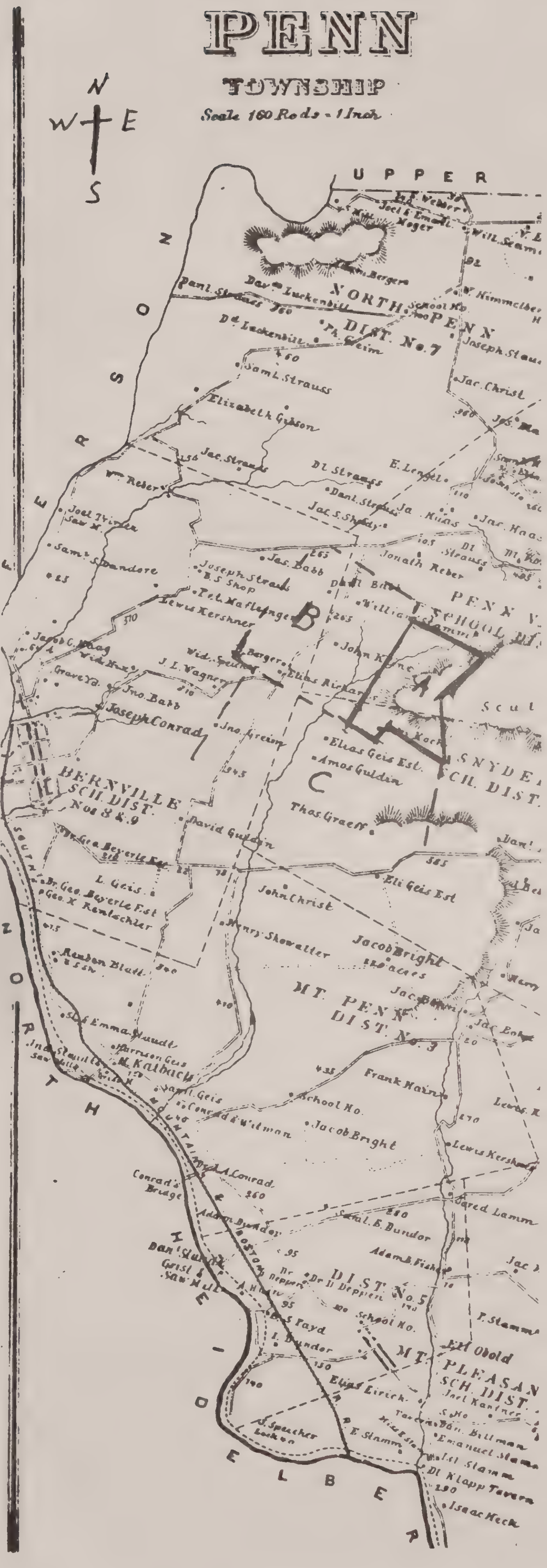
1. In the booklet, "Vorred der Disputation zu Zoffingen," Simon Lantz is listed with den furnamsten touffern. Also listed are Marti Weniger, Hanns Hosz, Michael Ott der schnyder, and Christian Brugger. The Kirchen predicanten (Swiss Church authorities) were Berchtold Haller, Casper Megander, Georgius Staheli, Heinrychus Lincti and Heinrychus Maucker. In the eighth article Simon was called Lantzman twice by the predicanten.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L. Geis
Geo. Beyerle Est.
Geo. X. Ramlechler
Jno. Greim
John Kline
Levi Koch
Elias Richards

Johannes Lantz Land Grant in Berks Co., Pa.

Section A is the approximate location of the 59 acre tract warranted to Johannes Lantz in 1750, patented to John Mast in 1808. It is located about two miles northeast of Bernville. The exact homestead site has not been determined yet, but most likely the Levi Koch mark is the original place. Section B was claimed by Jacob Mast, Section C by Jacob Kauffman.

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

The Lantz Family

The Lantz Families comprize only a portion to the whole body of the Old Order in America today and they will generally be referred to as a minority group. The 1973 Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Directory lists 21 families. There may be a good half dozen more in Lebanon and Franklin Counties. The three major directories in western settlements do not list any. The Raber's ministers list gives us one in Lebanon County, Pennsylvania and there is one minister in Franklin County, Pennsylvania. It is believed that many more have joined Mennonite ranks and other denominations, which spring from our forebearer Lantz. However the Mennonite Encyclopedia does not list the name at all and the Mennonite Encyclopedic Dictionary, by Daniel Kauffman (1937), does mention two Lantz Swiss-German families who came to Pennsylvania in 1747, and were pioneer Mennonite settlers in various states of the west. Today it is more acceptable to say that near desdendants of our Johannes Lantz who came in 1749 have crossed the Alleghenies early and have pioneered now Mennonite settlements in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and other points west.

In spite of this the Lantz lines have given us many noteworthy subjects over the years. The 1903 Diener List by Henry Fisher lists Benjamin Lantz ordained in 1873. The late Deacon Benjamin Lantz was also in charge of the Lancaster Gemeinen book printing and handling for a number of years.

It can also be said that our Lantz progenitor has left us much more progeny through maternal lines than paternal names. Especially through the Benjamin Fisher family who are quite numerous in Lancaster County and the Stephen F. Stoltzfus family whose descendants are in southeastern and southcentral counties of Pennsylvania as well as St. Mary's County, Maryland. But even with this in mind the Lantz maternal lines cannot be as popular as many others of our minority surnamed groups, because the forebearing family in America consisted of six sons and no daughters (on record) to intermarry with more popular surnamed families in the first generation.

The Lantzes in Europe

Perhaps the earliest Lantz we have on record is Simon Lantz who attended a disputation at Soffingen, Switzerland in 1532. It is not clear if he was an Anabaptist minister but it is likely that he was.[1] Other than this the name is not frequently found in the Anabaptist field nor in the European Mennonite and Amish groups. The name fails to appear on minister lists of the Palatinate and Alsace. However the "Lists of Swiss Emigrants to the American Colonies," by Faust and Brumbach 1968, mentions an Andreas Lanz of Rohrbach, Germany married to Barbara Gerber. In 1770 they are living in Pennsylvania and are members of the Evangelical Church. In 1751 Andreas Lanz is in the district (Amt) of Wangen, is unmarried, and receives permission to emigrate to Pennsylvania. He must surrender his landright and pay 10% emigrant tax on his property.

The Lantzes in America

We have quite a few accounts of Lantz families migrating to America with various spellings, as Lentz, Lans, and one writer contributes Lorentz to the Lantz family. Some of these are claimed to be in America early, coming to New York and Philadelphia ports, sone have settled in Eastern Pennsylvania and moved on west, and south to the Carolinas, early. We have another account of a Lantz family to settle in the Scholharie regions of New York State and then to Lebanon Balley regions in the beginning of the eighteenth century. It is hardly acceptable that any of these Lantz clans adhered to Amish or Mennonite bodies in America. The Strassburger-Hinke shiplists name quite a number of Lantzes to arrive at Philadelphia in about a dozen different ships. If it were not for signature comparisons with those on legal documents it may be more difficult to single out our Johannes Lantz. There are three Hans or Johannes Lantzes to write their names on different shiplists on different dates, so we have three signatures to choose from. On page 386 of Vol. 1, List 123A is a Johannes Lantz aged 16 and a Jacob Lantz aged 30. It could be questioned if these were the sons of our Johannes but the signature of Jacob does not correspond with his signing in Caernarvon Township, Pennsylvania. Johannes died rather young and intestate with no legal signatures. On page 407, List 133C our Johannes Lantz is listed with his associate passengers, Christian Kauffman, his probable father-in-law and Jacob Kauffman, his probable brother-in-law. We have no positive evidence from which district

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TWO IND. BROTHERS KILLED BY TRAIN

Two young Topeka, Ind. brothers were killed and another seriously injured when their car was struck by a train at approximately 8:30 p.m. Sunday, May 11, near Goshen. Andrew D. Fry, 19, and William R. Fry, 18, both of Topeka R1, sons of William H. and Betsy (Yoder) Fry, were pronounced dead at the scene of skull fractures. A passenger in the car, Mervin D. Troyer, 18, son of David and Anna (Yoder) Troyer, of Topeka R2, was listed in serious condition at Goshen General Hospital. The car in which the boys were riding was northbound on Elkhart C.R. 36 as it approached the New York Central Railroad tracks. Although the car's brakes were applied several times it was still struck by the train. The car was dragged one-half mile by the train. (See obituary)

17-YEAR-OLD KILLED, CRUSHED BY HORSE

Daniel S. Graber, 17, of Grabill R1, Ind., son of Joseph R. and Rosa (Schwartz) Graber, was killed Tuesday, May 13, when a horse he was hitching to a wagon fell and crushed him. But no one really knows what happened as he was alone in the field at the time. He was baptized in March and intending to go along to communion on Sunday following the Friday of his funeral. (See obituary)

OHIO GIRL HAS TEETH KNOCKED OUT

Fannie, age 8, daughter of William Y. Hostetlers of Danville, Ohio, had a mishap on the day of the school picnic. She got too close to the batter and got hit in the jaw, knocking out four front teeth and partly mangling her jaw. The dentist put in approximately 25 stitches, and also put the two front teeth back in as the root and all was knocked out. They had quite a time finding them on the playground. He sewed the teeth in and covered them with some kind of wax. It looks favorable for them to grow fast again.

WAYNE CO., OHIO ACCIDENT

Paul Mast, 23, son of Dan D. and Sarah (Yoder) Mast (both deceased), was working for Silo Construction Co. when he fell off a silo, broke two arms, pelvis and possible other injuries, of which he was recovering when a fire truck hit the car he was riding in May 28th. He was in Massillon City Hospital in Intensive Care, still unconscious.

IOWA CHILD THROWN OUT OF BUGGY

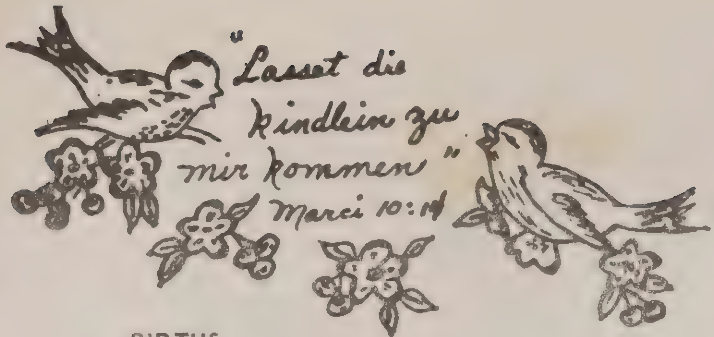
Chriss, 2-year-old son of Noah Hochstetler of Milton, Iowa, was thrown out of the front of the buggy when the front axle and fifth wheel came loose. The buggy dropped down and he fell out, with the front end of the buggy hitting the back of his head, giving him a skull fracture. He was coming along all right at last reports.

10-YEAR-OLD BOY HAS FRACTURED NOSE

Joel, age 10, son of Christ and Rachel (Lantz) King, Ronks R1, Pa., was injured Thursday morning, May 15, when a fresh cow turned mad as he was in the trough to chase her. She caused a fractured nose and a badly bruised jaw and neck. He was taken to the hospital but came back home the same day, with a splint on his nose.

LANCASTER CO., PA. COUPLE HAS TRIPLETS

Triplets, two boys and a girl, were born to Chester and Mary (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, May 27th. They each weighed less than three pounds at birth and were put into incubators. One boy spent seven days at Children's Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa., because of a respiratory problem. As of June 8th they were all three still at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital being fed through a tube, and were on the way to recovery, having gained a few ounces.



BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, John L. (Elizabeth Smucker) Gap R1 a daughter ERMA KATHRINE, May 3

BLANK, Amos K. (Emma F. Stoltzfus) Box 330, R2 New Holland, a son SAMUEL, May 16

EBERSOL, John M. (Mary B. Miller) Beechdale Rd., Bird-in-Hand R1, a daughter ESTHER MAE May 12

ESH, Aaron S. (Lizzie S. Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3 a daughter SARAH, May 11

ESH, Christian G. (Malinda K. Esh) Gordonville R1 a daughter MALINDA, May 21

ESH, Jonas E. (Fannie B. Zook) 534 Willow Rd., Lancaster, a son J. DAVID, May 25

ESH, Jonathan S. (Malinda S. Lapp) Ronks R1 a daughter MARY, May 24

FISHER, Daniel E. (Katie S. Fisher) Strasburg R1 a son DANIEL, May 8

FISHER, Leroy (Elizabeth Fisher) Gap R1 a daughter MARTHA FERN, May 12

GLICK, Benjamin S. (Sadie E. Kauffman) Quarryville R3, a daughter MALINDA, May 1

KING, Amos B. (Katie S. Esh) Christiana R1 a daughter MARY E., May 6

KING, Emanuel S. (Malinda S. Fisher) Gordonville R1 a daughter RUTH F., May 14

KING, JOhn L. (Rebecca S. King) Leola R1 a son JOHN L. JR., May 24

KING, Jonas B. (Priscilla King) Box 101, Morgantown R1, a daughter SUSIE LYN, May 25

KING, Simeon B. (Mary S. Smoker) Kirkwood R1 a daughter BARBARA S., May 3

LAPP, John A. (Katie E. Riehl) Kirkwood R1 a daughter MARY, May 11

MILLER, Benjamin S. (Arie K. Glick) Paradise R1 a daughter HANNAH G., May 31

MILLER, Levi R. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Newport Rd. Leola, a daughter SARAH, May 21

PETERSHEIM, Emanuel (Annie Stoltzfus) Paradise R1 a daughter MARY, April 23

PETERSHEIM, Omar R. (Sylvia King) Box 57, Gordonville R1, a son MERVIN RAY, May 23

RIEHL, Jacob (Rebecca S. Glick) Honey Brook R2 a daughter SALLY, May 1

RIEHL. Moses (Sylvia Esh) Gordonville R1 a son BENUEL JAY, May 20

SMOKER, Samuel (Rachel Lapp) Clearview Rd., R1, Ronks, a daughter RACHEL, May 24

STOLTZFUS, Benuel J. (Annie S. Esh) Honey Brook R1, a daughter ANNA MARY, May 19

STOLTZFUS, Chester (Mary E. Stoltzfus) Ronks R1 triplets, SYLVIA, SYLVAN and STEVEN, May 27

STOLTZFUS, David F. (Elizabeth R. Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1, a daughter BARBARA F., May 20

STOLTZFUS, Elam H. (Anna Mary Fisher) 182 Quarry Rd., Leola, a daughter BARBIE ANN, May 28

STOLTZFUS, Eli B. (Sylvia E. Stoltzfus) Gap R1 a son STEVEN F., May 29

STOLTZFUS, Henry L. (Lydia K. Petersheim) Gordonville R1, a daughter ADA P., May 15

STOLTZFUS, John S. (Fannie F. Esh) Christiana R1 twin sons, JOHN and JONAS, May 9

STOLTZFUS, Levi R. (Lydia S. Stoltzfus) Morgantown R1, a daughter HANNAH MARIE, May 1

STOLTZFUS, Sam S. (Annie K. Stoltzfus) Christiana R1, a daughter MALINDA, May 26

ZOOK, Amos S. (Malinda E. Stoltzfoos) New Providence R1, a son DAVID B., May 23

ZOOK, Benjamin R. (Elizabeth Stoltzfus) East Earl R1 a son EMANUEL L., May we

Dover Delaware

GINGERICH, Joe F. (Clara Byler) Dover R2 a son NATHAN, May 2

MAST, John H. (Iva Wittmer) Dover R5 a daughter MARY ANN, May 15

MILLER, Henry J. (Malinda Mast) Dover R2 a daughter REGINA LYNN, May 25

TROYER, Daniel A. (Rhoda Miller) Dover R6 a son JERRY, May 17

YODER, Mose D. (Anna Mae Miller) Wyoming R1 a daughter LYDIA ANN, May 25

St. Mary's County, Maryland

HOSTETLER, John K. (Mary Beiler) Mechanicsville a daughter NANCY, May 12

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

LAPP, Moses G. (Sarah Zook) Lebanon R1 a son DAVID Z., May 1

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Clinton County, Pennsylvania

STOLTZFUS, Samuel K. (Lavina Kauffman) Loganton a son SAMUEL, May 18

Mifflin County (Reedsville), Pennsylvania

HOSTETLER, Isaac Y. (Cevilla E. Hershberger) Winfield, a son ENOS, May 12

YODER, Solomon J. (Mary D. Yoder) Reedsville, a daughter ANNIE, May 12

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

KANAGY, David (Ella Peachey) Belleville, a daughter BARBARA, May 15

PEACHEY, Daniel R. (Olive Peachey) Belleville a son SAMUEL, May 3

PEACHEY, Omar (Hettie Peachey) Belleville, a daughter KATIE, May 27

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

TROYER, Emanuel A. (Fannie Yoder) a son EMANUEL, May 26

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

BENDER, Enos M. (Olive Brenneman) Springs, a son JOEL, in May

FISHER, Levi B. (Effie P. Yoder) Springs, a daughter ESTHER, May 24

Centerville, Pennsylvania

MILLER, Ervin (Ruth Schrock) a son STEVEN RAY, May 22

Conewango Valley, New York

MILLER, Dave S. (Edna A. Miller) a son ERVIN

MILLER, Davy (Malinda J. Miller) a son JOHNNY, May 20

MILLER, Harvey (Edna M. Hershberger) a son JOE, May 21

YODER, Eli J. (Ella L. Shetler) a daughter MARY, May 2

Geauga County, Ohio

BYLER Andy J. (Ida Miller) a girl, May 26

BYLER, Jonas A. (Lizzie D. Miller) a daughter KATIE

BYLER, Mose D. (Nancy Miller) a son RAYMOND, May 8

BYLER, Wilmer N. (Ruth E. Miller) a son, May 9

DETWEILER, Menno W. (Elmina F. Miller) a son WILLIAM

GINGERICH, Jonas J. (Sadie E. Miller) a daughter SHIRLEY, May 2

KAUFFMAN, Mr. and Mrs. Enos A. a daughter

MILLER, Andy M. (Betty Byler) a son, May 6

MILLER, Joe D. (Ada D. Detweiler) a son, May 4

MILLER, Joe J. D. (Mary D. Yoder) a son

MILLER, Noah J. (N. Troyer) a daughter MARIE, May 4

Wayne County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, David J. (Clara Keim) Apple Creek R2, a daughter ROSANNA, May 7

MILLER, Davy J. (Katie Hershberger) a son BENNIE, in May

MILLER, John A. (Lizzie Gingerich) a daughter KATIE, in February

MILLER, Melvin (Katie Weaver) Orrville R3 a daughter VERNA, May 27

TROYER, Edwin M. (Mary M. Mast) Apple Creek R2 a son IVAN, May 7

TROYER, Henry A. (Elma Miller) Apple Creek R1 a daughter BETTY, May 29

WEAVER, Albert E. (Clara Swartzentruber) Fredericksburg R2, a daughter NAOMI, May 1

WEAVER, Paul E. (Esther Miller) Dalton R2 a daughter EDNA, May 7

Holmes County, Ohio

BEACHY, Ervin E. (Linda Yoder) Berlin a daughter DIANE MARIE, May 17

COBLENTZ, Mose J. (Nina Troyer) Millersburg Star Route, a son MARK, May 3

ERB, Andy L. (Mary Ann Miller) Millersburg R2 a son MARTY, April 29

HOCHSTETLER, Emanuel A. (Nettie Hershberger) a daughter MARY, March 26

KAUFMAN, Firmen N. (Louella Borntrager) a daughter CAROL ANN, May 19

MILLER, David D. (Mattie Miller) a son JOSEPH, May 15

MILLER, Jacob S. (Esther Hershberger) Baltic R1 a son, May 26

MILLER, John A. (Marlene Bailey) a daughter ESTHER, May 4

RABER, Dan A. S. (Sarah Miller) Millersburg R3 a daughter LENA, May 19

RABER, Jonas E. (Susan N. Miller) Millersburg R5 a son, April 30

SCHLABACH, David A. (Mary Raber) Millersburg R3 a daughter LIZZIE ANN, April 29

TROYER, David L. (Amanda Weaver) Dundee R2 a daughter, May 17

TROYER, Nelson (Anna Keim) a son MARK, May 8

WEAVER, Emery C. (Arie Miller) Dundee R2 a daughter ESTHER, May 7

WEAVER, Ervin Jr. (Lydia Ann Miller) Fredericksburg R2, a son JOSEPH, April 21

WEAVER, John E. (Lydia Ann Miller) Millersburg R5 a son, May 21

WEAVER, Levi B. (Susie U. Troyer) Fredericksburg R2, a son LEROY, May 4

WEAVER, Levi E. (Betty Yoder) Millersburg Star Route, a son STEVIE, May 10

YODER, Dan S. (Clara Wengerd) Mt. Hope a son LONNIE, May 2

YODER, Henry M. C. (Katie Weaver) Millersburg R2 a son HARRY, May 24

YODER, Jonas E. (Ada Yoder) Millersburg R3 a son MELVIN, April 28

YODER, Neil N. (Esther Miller) Millersburg R4 a daughter, May 28

Ashland County, Ohio
GINGERICH, Rudy (Anna Miller) Ashland R1 a son SAM, May 13
KEIM, Perry (Katie Miller) Greenwich R2 a son BEN, May 11

Danville, Ohio
MILLER, Uriah J. (Fannie R. Miller) a son RAY, May 24

Camden, Michigan
GIROD, Jake (Esther Graber) a daughter ANNA, May 18

Allen County, Indiana
GRABER, Christ (Eileen Zehr) a daughter SARAH ANN, April 21
HILTY, Jacob (Malinda Schwartz) a son ALLEN, May 1

Adams County, Indiana
GIROD, Levi J. (Rosie N. Schwartz) Monroe R1 a daughter EMMA, May 24
GRABER, Amos J. (Mandy Coblentz) Geneva R2 a son JONAS, May 26
HILTY, Elmer K. (Salome Graber) Geneva R2 a son ERNEST, May 12
HILTY, LaVERNE L. (Rachel Kauffman) Berne R1 a daughter BARBARA ANN, May 14
SCHWARTZ, Amos R. (Mary Ann Schwartz) Monroe R1 a son JOE, May 5
SCHWARTZ, Ernest K. (Lizzie T. Schwartz) Berne R2 a son CHRISTIAN, May 14
WICKEY, David E. (Lovina Girod) Berne R1 a daughter EDNA, May 19

LaGrange County, Indiana
BORKHOLDER, Ezra (Elsie Mast) LaGrange R1 a son KENNETH E., May 15
EASH, Sammy Jay (Viola Bontrager) Topeka R2 a daughter KATIE MAE, May 6
GRABER, Ernest H. (Wilma U. Miller) Topeka R2 a son JOSEPH E., May 3
HOCHSTETLER, Jerome Jr. (Abbie Eash) Rome City R1, a son MARION J., May 19
LAMBRIGHT, Perry H. KNorma Jean Gingerich) Topeka R1, a son JAMES LYNN, May 10
LEHMAN, Perry Jay (Ida Mae Bontrager) Topeka R1 a son MAYNARD DEE, May 17
MILLER, Elva Jay (Elsie J. Weaver) Ligonier R3 a son MAYNARD JAY, May 1
MILLER, Ervin Junior (Mabel L. Bontrager) R.R. 2 a daughter ERMA SUE, May 4
MILLER, Lloyd N. (Edna Ellen Yoder) Topeka R2 a son ENOS L., May 3
SCHROCK, Jacob J. (Esther Bontrager) Shipshewana R2, a son KERRY LYNN, May 10
TROYER, Albert Ray (Dorothy F. Slabaugh) Shipshewana, a daughter JOLENE KAY, April 23
TROYER, John E. (Lydia Yoder) LaGrange R1 a son TOBY J., May 2
WENGARD, David J. (Susie Weaver) LaGrange R3 a son DANIEL D., May 15

Elkhart County, Indiana
HERSHBERGER, Alvin (Wanda Miller) Middlebury R1 a son EUGENE, May 10
MILLER, Amos R. (Polly Ann Bontrager) Goshen C.R. 34, a daughter KATIE IRENE, April 28
MILLER, Noah J. (Katie Miller) Goshen R1 a daughter RACHEL, April 30
WAGLER, Paul (Barbara Miller) Goshen R6 a daughter RUTH ANN, May 17
YODER, Abe (Wilma Schlabach) Middlebury R1 a daughter DORIS, May 10

Nappanee, Indiana
YODER, Perry F. (Fern Burkholder) Middlebury R3 a son LAVERNE, May 27

Kokomo, Indiana
OTTO, Elmer R. (Treva Anderson) a son WAYNE ALLEN, May 27

Arthur, Illinois
MILLER, Gary Dale (Verna Mast) a daughter BARBARA AN, in May
SCHROCK, Daniel (Dena Herschberger) a son JOE D., May 19
SCHROCK, Ervin (Sarah Hostetler) a son LONNIE
YODER, John Henry (Ruby Miller) a son PAUL LEON, in May

Jamesport, Missouri
KAUFFMAN, Ernie (Mary Irene Schrock) a daughter ESTHER MAE, May 24
MAST, Jake J. (Katie Ann Gingerich) a son IVAN LEE, April 29
YUTZY, Fred W. (Sarah Ann Schrock) a son BEN, April 25

Audrain County, Missouri
MILLER, Jacob J. (Lydia Borntreger) Clark a daughter FANNIE, May 3
MILLER, Levi T. (Lizzie Burkholder) Clark twin sons, JOHNIE and JONI, May 3
SHETLER, Daniel V. (Mattie Gingerich) Clark a daughter MARY, May 8

Buchanan County, Iowa
HELMUTH, Wm. (Katie Raber) Hazleton a daughter, May 28
NISLY, Dan J. (Elmina Schmucker) Hazleton a son MARVIN, April 30
RABER, Andy (Frieda Yoder) Hazleton a son DAVID, May 5

Milton, Iowa
HERSHBERGER, Chriss (Fannie Kauffman) Milton a daughter RACHEL, May 23

Wilton, Wisconsin
BORNTREGER, Joe M. (Fannie Hochstetler) a son ADAM, May 5
YODER, John I. (Mary Schrock) a STILLBORN SON, May 15

Medford, Wisconsin
BORNTRAGER, Alvin (Saloma Miller)
a son MENNO, May 22
BORNTRAGER, David T. (Susie Mast)
a son DAVID, May 13
BORNTRAGER, Harvey (Bertha Stutzman)
a daughter MATTIE, May 11
BORNTRAGER, Roy (Katie Mae Miller)
a daughter MARTHA, May 18
YODER, Glen (Anna Hochstetler)
a son Melvin, April 14

Chetek, Wisconsin
MILLER, Henry (Mary Borntreger)
a son ERVIN, May 10

Cashton, Wisconsin
SCHROCK, Roman (Anna Hershberger)
a son RUDY, May 23

Wadena, Minnesota
YODER, David (Mary Mast)
a son DAVID PERRY, May 25

Tavistock, Ontario
HERTZLER, Jonas (Matilda Yoder) Lakeside R1
a son BENNIE, April 22
TROYER, Levi Jr. (Lizzie Ann Mast) St. Mary's R4
a daughter IRENE, May 18
TROYER, Noah (Ella Mast) St. Mary's R4
a son AMOS, May 23
YODER, Walter (Elizabeth Hertzler) Tavistock R2
a daughter NAOMI, May 22

Milverton, Ontario
KUEPFER, Allen (Laura Jantzi)
a son, May 28
KUEPFER, Cornelius (Marie Kuepfer)
a son ELIAS, May 12

Grey County, Ontario
YODER, Dan D. (Cevilla Hershberger) Chesley R4
a son RUEBEN, May 27

Aylmer, Ontario
EICHER, LeRoy (Sarah Troyer)
a daughter LYDIANA, May 10

Lucknow, Ontario
SHETLER, Joni (Mary Gingerich)
a daughter JEMIMA, May 13

COMMUNITY NOTES – Arthur, Illinois

Thursday evening, May 29, at the farm owned by Mrs. George Marner and tenanted by Clarence Stutzman, they were awakened about 10 p.m. by a passing motorist, telling them their barn was on fire. They got two buggies and a wagon out but a corn picker, plow, grain ginder, and calf were burned.

Leon, age 11, son of Harvey Dieners, fell from the hay mow floor to bottom floor at the home of Levi Kaufmans on Sunday, May 25, fracturing his left kneecap. He has a cast on and goes about on crutches.

Clara, wife of Felty Kaufman, is in the Tuscola Hospital, seems to have symptoms of Lockjaw.

MIFFLIN COUNTY, PA. ACCIDENTS

Elsie, 8-year-old daughter of Urie and Nancy Swarey, fell from a tree on May 7th, breaking her elbow. She was in the hospital three days. An operation was performed, a pin put in, and a cast put on for three weeks.

Martha Detweiler, 16, daughter of Noah and Katie Detweiler, was thrown from the buggy when hit in the rear by a passing car just as she was commencing to turn off the main highway. She was not seriously hurt, had a few stitches in her face and a badly sprained neck.

Mary Detweiler, daughter of Joseph and Susie Detweiler, that had fallen in the barn March 15th, now has her body cast removed which she had eight weeks. She gets around with the aid of a walker, but her knee seems quite stiff.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Wadena, Minnesota

Amos, age 9, son of Andy Mast, Wadena R1, went to get their cow home that they had tied out on grass with a rope May 28th, and some way got tangled in the rope and was dragged, breaking his leg. He is in the hospital with his leg in traction, has to stay three or four weeks.

Dan Schrock, age 19, who was in the truck accident on April 17th, is working and getting along fine.

BAPTISMS

Adams County, Indiana
By Bishop Sim Hilty
David, son of Dan and Frances Gingerich
Jake, son of Dan and Frances Gingerich
Jake J., son of Jonas J. and Margaret Graber
Ernest L., son of Ernest and the late Lydia Eicher
Delilah, dau. of Christ & Bertha (Schwartz) Schwartz
Edith, dau. of Christ H Bertha (Schwartz) Schwartz
Maggie, dau. of Menno N. & Becky (Hilty) Eicher

Jamesport, Missouri
In West District in April
Melvin Jr., son of Melvin Grabers
Jonas, son of William Hostetlers
Katie, dau. of Ralph Kramers
Sara, dau. of Jonas Kurtzes
Ada Mae, dau. of Melvin Grabers

Cashton, Wisconsin
Three girls are joining church in North District:
Anna, dau. of Harvey Miller
Rachel, dau. of John Hershberger
Emma, dau. of Joe Borntreger
Ten in South District:
Eddie, son of Amos Borntreger
Joe, son of Aden Yoder
Naomi, dau. of Perry Miller
Anna, dau. of Joe Bontrager
Sarah, dau. of Wm. Schmucker
Mary, dau. of Menno Hochstetler
Sarah, dau. of Levi Miller
Mary, dau. of Felty Borntrager
Mary, dau. of Chris Hershberger
Barbara, dau. of Sam Miller

OBITUARIES

BEILER, Infant Son, Peach Bottom, R1, Pa.

of Benuel and Mary (Zook) Beiler, died Friday evening, May 9, at Lancaster General Hospital. He weighed 2¼ lb. and lived only three hours. He is survived, in addition to his parents, by two brothers, Daniel and Christian, and one sister, all at home. Also surviving are paternal grandparents, Christian and Anna Beiler, Leola, and maternal grandparents, Jacob and Barbara Zook, Christiana R1.

Burial was in the graveyard at the John M. King farm, which was established two years ago for Southern Lancaster County. It was the first body to be buried there.

BEILER, Susan S., infant, Talmage, Pa.

daughter of Emanuel L. and Priscilla (Stoltzfus) Beiler, was stillborn at home Friday, May 30th. In addition to her parents, she is survived by a sister, Anna Mae, and a brother, Melvin, both at home; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Malinda Stoltzfus, of Talmage, and paternal grandparents, Samuel and Katie Beiler of Gap R1, Pa.

COBLENTZ, Mrs. Katie, 64, Wilmot R1, Ohio

died in her home May 24th, of cancer. Born Sept. 30, 1910, she was a daughter of Sam J. Miller. Her husband, Jacob J. Coblentz, died Nov. 27, 1968. Surviving are five sons and three daughters, Wyman of Fredericksburg R2, Clyde of Sugarcreek, Eli of Millersburg R5, Jacob of Wilmot R1, Marvin of Mt. Eaton, Mrs. Noah (Fannie) Yoder of Mt. Hope, and Edna and Barbara of the home.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 27, at Eli R. Coblentz's, by Bishop Jonas Keim and Bishop Jacob J. Miller.

FRY, Brothers of Topeka R1, Indiana

were killed when their car was struck by a train Sunday, May 11 (see front page). Andrew was born Aug. 14, 1955 and his brother, William, was born July 18, 1956 to William H. and Betsy (Yoder) Fry in Topeka. Both were lifelong residents of Topeka. Andrew was employed by Jay-Co. of Middlebury and William was employed as a farmer. Survivors include two sisters, Waneta and Anna Mae and two brothers, Elmer and Jerry, all at home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey D. Fry of Topeka R2, and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Yoder of Topeka R1.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 14, at the Orla Troyer residence of Topeka. Burial was in the Hawpatch Cemetery near Topeka. The evening before the funeral a large concourse of people, around 2,000, paid their respects—also many at the funeral. They live with her parents, the Will D. Yoders, and she is bedfast, was unable to attend the funeral.

GRABER, Daniel S., 17, Grabill R1, Indiana

was killed when he was crushed by a horse May 13th (see front page). Surviving besides the parents, Joseph R. and Rosa (Schwartz) Graber, are eight brothers, John of Spencerville, Christian, Thomas, and Joseph Jr. of Grabill, and Benjamin, Reuben, James, and Tobe, all at home, and five sisters, Barbara, wife of LaVerne Miller and Rachel, wife of Elam Graber, both of Grabill, and Elizabeth, Rosanna, and Ruth, all at home.

Funeral services were held the 16th, in the house by Pre. Will Graber of Daviess Co., Ind., and in the shed by Pre. Joe E. Schwartz of Adams Co., Ind. A very large funeral. Burial in the Amish Cemetery.

HOCHSTETLER, Mrs. Mary I., 81, Nappanee R1, Ind.

died May 22nd at Elkhart Hospital where she had been a patient three days. Born Nov. 28, 1893 in Kansas, she was a daughter of Isaac and Anna Yoder. She was married Jan. 17, 1922 to Joseph C. Hochstetler, who died May 10, 1950. Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Andrew J. (Anna) Mast, with whom she had her home, Mrs. Elizabeth Yoder of Naples, Florida, Mrs. Levi M. (Amanda) Yoder of Sarasota, Florida, and Miss Edna Hochstetler of Westville, Ind.; four sons, Harvey J. and Samuel J., both of Nappanee, Eli J. of Bremen, and Levi J. of Goshen; two brothers, John Yoder of Middlebury, and Levi Yoder of Shipshewana; 33 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. A daughter, Sara Mast, preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held May 24th at the Jonas Hochstetler home, by Bishop Levi Plank and Tobias Miller. Burial was at Weldy Cemetery.

HOCHSTETLER, Twin Sons, Nappanee, Indiana

Matthew Jay and Marcus Ray, twin sons of Jay and Erma (Stoltzfus) Hochstetler were born at Elkhart Hospital May 17th. Marcus died two hours after birth. Graveside services were held for him May 20th. Then Matthew died next day, May 21st, and was buried the next day, May 22nd, at Weldy Cemetery. Surviving besides the parents are three sisters, Wanita, Julie, and Carol, all at home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew M. Hochstetler of Nappanee R3; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Miller of Shipshewana, and maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Amos U. (Fannie) Stoltzfus of Ronks, Pa. Bishop Mose W. Yoder was in charge of services.

KAUFMAN, Allen N., 21, Sugarcreek, R2, Ohio

died at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, May 22, after falling 84 feet on the inside of a silo of which they had just started to take out the scaffold. This happened at 8 o'clock near Bloomington, Illinois. Born at Millersburg R2, he was a son of Nelson A. and Mary (Troyer) Kaufman. Surviving besides his parents are six brothers and three sisters, Atlee of Millersburg R5, Marvin, Mervin, Ernest, Junior, and Lovina of the home, Mrs. Atlee (Miriam) Miller and Firmen of Sugarcreek, and Mrs. Alvin (Irene) Miller of Sarasota, Fla.

Funeral services were held at 9 a.m. Sunday, May 25, in the Kaufman residence, by Bishop Enos Miller. Burial was in Kaufman family cemetery.

KUEPFER, Samuel S., 72, Millbank, Ontario

died May 14th at St. Mary's Hospital, Kitchener, from heart trouble. Born in Mornington Township in

1902, he was a son of the late John and Rebecca (Schwartzentruber) Kuepfer. Surviving are his wife, Lydia (Schwartz) Kuepfer whom he married in February of 1926; a son, Aaron S. of Linwood R1; three daughters, Mrs. David N. (Sarah) Jantzi of Milverton R1, Mrs. Menno (Katie) Wagler of Newton R1, and Mrs. Joseph K. (Elizabeth) Zehr of Linwood R1; two brothers, John of Newton R1, and Solomon of Milverton R1; two sisters, Mrs. Chris (Nancy) Kipfer of Millbank, and Mrs. Jonathan (Leah) Zehr of Newton R1, and 27 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one son, David, in December of 1974, six brothers, five sisters, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home of Menno Wagler's Saturday, May 17; burial followed in the Seventh line Amish Cemetery, Wellesley Township.

SPEICHER, Abie M., 52, McClure, Pa.
died May 21st at his home. He was an arthritis victim for many years. Born in Reedsville, Mifflin Co., Pa., he was a son of Abraham and Katie (Yoder) Speicher. Surviving are a son, and a daughter Malinda of the home, now living with her aunt, Rudy S. and Lydia Yoder, Reedsville, Pa.; four sisters and one brother, Samuel H. (Emma) Yoder, Jacob (Dena) Hostetler, Ezra (Lizzie) Hostetler, all of Reedsville, Pa., and Miss Katie Speicher. Preceding him in death were his wife, Lomie (Yoder) Speicher in February of 1972, and seven children. He also lived in Windsor, Mo. a few years then moved to Windfield, Pa. and later to McClure, Pa.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 23, at his home, by Bishop S. John Hostetler. Burial was in the Decatur Amish Cemetery.

STECKLY, Mrs. Rachel, 94, Bryant, Indiana
died at 3:50 a.m. Sunday, May 18, at the home of a grandchild, John P. Schwartz's. She was in failing health the last few years. She was born in Canada, March 17, 1881, and was married to David W. Steckly, who died several years ago. Surviving are 10 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and several neices and nephews.

Funeral services were held at the home of Rueben Graber Sr., May 21st. Burial was in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

STUTZMAN, Mrs. Katie, 74, Millersburg R5, Ohio
died May 28th. She was sick for seven months with dropsy. Born April 4, 1901, she was a daughter of Mike E. and Mary Ann (Schlabach) Yoder. She was married March 13, 1923 to Albert L. Stutzman, who died Nov. 15, 1969. Surviving are five sons, Perry, and Levi of Millersburg R5, Eli of Dover, O., Ura of Millersburg Star Route, and Albert Jr. of the home; four daughters, Mrs. Dan (Mary Ann) Mast, Mrs. Elmer (Fannie) Coblentz, and Mrs. Monroe (Katie) Weaver, all of Fredericksburg, and Mrs. Atlee (Ada) Yoder of Holmesville R1, 42 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held May 31st by the home bishop, John Frey, and Levi D. Miller; burial in Locust Hill Cemetery.

YODER, Amos J. A., 83, Buchanan Co., Iowa
died April 29th at the age of 83 yr., 4 mo., 9 days. Born Dec. 20, 1891, he was a son of Joe E. G. and Anna (Miller) Yoder, and was married to Fannie Miller Feb. 19, 1913, lived in matrimony 62 yr., 2 mo., 10 days. To this union were born four sons and three daughters, Ira of LaGrange, Ind., Henry of Goshen, Ind., William of Jamesport, Mo., Lizzie died in infancy, Mrs. Abe J. (Anna) Yoder of Hazleton, Ia., Mrs. Perry E. (Gertie) Bontrager of Kalona, Ia., David of Fairbank, Ia., living at home. He leaves his wife, four sons, two daughters, 49 grandchildren, and 68 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Enos of Del. and David Perry of Ohio; three sisters, Betsy Miller of Haven, Kans., Mrs. William D. (Susie) Yoder of Topeka, Ind., and Katie Troyer of Colorado, and many neices, nephews, cousins and friends. His father, mother, five brothers, five sisters, one daughter and three grandchildren preceded him in death. He was ordained to the ministry Oct. 28, 1923.

YODER, Edna J., 62, Topeka, Indiana R1
died Thursday morning, May 15, in the LaGrange County Hospital following an extended illness. Born in Indiana March 2, 1913, she was a daughter of John J. and Susan (Yoder) Schrock. She was married Jan. 13, 1938, to Edward J. Yoder, who survives. Also surviving are two sons, John E. of Shipshewana and Elmer E. of Millersburg; a daughter, Mrs. John (Maryester) Hershberger of Topeka; 16 grandchildren; and five sisters, Mrs. Lillie Schrock of LaGrange, Mrs. John (Rebecca) Eash of Shipshewana, Mrs. Anna Miller and Mrs. Jake (Sarah) Petersheim, both of Topeka, and Mrs. Milt (Lizzie) Yoder of Ligonier.

Funeral services were held at the home of her son, John E. of Shipshewana, by Bishop Dan E. Miller. Burial was in Suntheimer Cemetery.

YODER, Pre. Elmer D., 78, Geauga Co., Ohio
died May 30th after a lingering illness. He leaves his wife, the former Katie Ann Miller, Children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held June 2nd; burial in the Hayes Corner Cemetery.

YODER, Mrs. Mary Ann, 60, Millersburg R4, Ohio
died of an apparent heart attack Tuesday night, May 13, in her home. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of Mattie (Troyer) Miller of Charm and the late Andy J. Miller. Surviving besides her husband, Jacob D. D. Yoder, is one daughter, Mrs. Melvin A. (Fannie) Barkman of Millersburg R4; four sisters, Mrs. Alvin I. (Katie) Yoder of Millersburg R3, Amanda A. of Millersburg R4, Mrs. Fannie Schlabach of Fredericksburg, and Mrs. John J. (Bena) Hershberger of Ashland; three brothers, Levi A. of Millersburg R4, Emanuel A. and Jacob A. of Sugarcreek; and four grandchildren. A sister preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 16, at 9:30 a.m. in the residence by Bishop Melvin A. Miller; burial in Miller Cemetery, Clark Township.

ORDINATIONS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Christ F. Fisher, 43, Strasburg R1, was ordained minister in the North Beaver Creek West District, April 24th. He is a son of Bishop Christ M. and Emma Fisher, and his wife, Lizzie, is a daughter of the late Joas and Suvilla Yoder. With him in the lot of seven were Henry F. Fisher, Noah B. Lapp, Ephraim Miller, Jacob King, Abner Glick, and Aaron Stoltzfus.

Jonas M. Beiler, 27, Strasburg R1, was ordained minister in the North Beaver Creek East District, May 1st. He is a son of Amos N. and the late Rebecca Beiler, and his wife, Rebecca, is a daughter of Pre. Samuel U. and Fannie Stoltzfus of Montour Co., Pa. With him in the lot of six were Jacob B. Stoltzfoos, Amos Lapp, Eli Ebersol, Daniel M. Fisher, and Daniel S. Kauffman.

John U. Stoltzfus, 46, Morgantown R1, was ordained bishop in the Conestoga District, May 1st. He was ordained minister in 1969. With him in the lot were ministers Daniel S. Stoltzfus and Christian E. Stoltzfus.

Centre County, Pennsylvania

Christ K. Stoltzfus, 39, Spring Mills R2, was ordained minister in the West Brush Valley District, April 27th. He is a son of Bishop Jacob M. and Lydia Stoltzfus of the same district, and his wife, Rachel, is a daughter of Sarah and the late Amos Smucker of Conestoga District. With him in the lot of four were Omar Stoltzfus, Eli Beiler, and Jacob Stoltzfus Jr.

Henry B. Stoltzfus, 33, Rebersburg R1, was ordained minister in the East Brush Valley District, May3rd. He is a son of Jesse D. and Annie Stoltzfus, and his wife, Rachel, is a daughter of Levi L. and Annie Fisher. With him in the lot of seven were Tobe Stoltzfus, Abner King, Melvin Stoltzfus, Christ J. Stoltzfus, John Beiler, and Henry L. Esh.

Snyder and Mifflin Counties, Pennsylvania

Rufus Y. Hostetler, 49, McClure, was ordained minister, May 11, by Bishop S. John Hostetler. He is a son of the late Ruben Y. and Sarah (Yoder) Hostetler, and his wife, Mary, is a daughter of Ben S. and Leah (King) Hostetler, Reedsville, Pa.

Christ S. Yoder, 46, Reedsville, was ordained deacon in Coffee Run District, May 18, by Bishop John J. S. Yoder. He is a son of the late Christ G. and Nancy (Speicher) Yoder, and his wife, Katie, is a daughter of the late Ruben Y. and Sarah (Yoder) Hostetler.

Solomon C. Hostetler, 26, Milroy, was ordained minister in Church Lane District, May 25, by Bishop John J. S. Yoder. He is a son of Christ S. and Lydia B. Hosterler, Reedsville, and his wife, Mary R., is a daughter of Moses S. and Rebecca (Yoder) Yoder of Milroy.

Franklin and Cumberland Counties, Pennsylvania

John S. King, 29, Shippensburg R3, was ordained minister in East Cumberland Valley (Christ Esh) District, May 1st. He is a son of John E. and Emma King, Paradise R1, and his wife, Fannie, is a daughter of Samuel B. and Lydia King, Ronks R1. With him in the lot were his brother Amos, William Fisher, Gideon Fisher, John Petersheim, Mervin Smoker, and Eli Miller.

Geauga County, Ohio

Mose J. Miller, 21, was ordained minister in the Hayes Cor. District. He is a son of Dea. Joe J. and Ada (Wengard) Miller, and his wife is a daughter of John C. Kurtz. He is the first minister in that district.

Alvin A. Miller, 28, was ordained minister in the late Andy M. Miller District. He is a son of Min. Andy G. Byler of Atlantic, Pa., and his wife is a daughter of Min. David E. Miller of the same district.

Crist R. Hershberger, 29, was ordained minister in the N. E. Troy District. He is a son of Roman C. and Martha Hershberger, and his wife, Clara, is a daughter of Pre. John J. and Ada Miller of the same district.

Wayne County, Ohio

Abe J. Miller, 45, was ordained minister in the Henry J. Miller District. His wife, Fannie, is a daughter of Dan Schlabachs.

Eli J. Miller was ordained minister. Others in the lot were Elam Swartzentruber, Johny H. Miller, Davy E. Yoder, and Samy E. Miller.

Holmes County, Ohio

Paul J. Burkholder, 49, Millersburg R5, was ordained minister of the lot of six, April 29th. He is a son of the late Jonas and Fannie (Miller) Burkholder, and his wife, Anna, is a daughter of Mrs. Alfred Yoder.

Abe J. C. Miller, 44, Fredericksburg R2, was ordained minister of the lot of seven, April 29th. He is a son of Joe and Emma (Wengerd) Miller, and his wife, Fannie, is a daughter of Mrs. Dan J. Schlabach.

John B. Beachy, 29, Millersburg R5, was ordained minister of the lot of seven, May 3rd. He is a son of Mrs. Henry A. Hershberger and the late Benj. B. Beachy, and his wife, Mary, is a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Christian A. Schrock.

Roy J. Miller, 47, Fredericksburg R1, was ordained deacon of the lot of three, May 11th. He is a son of the late Joe and Lydia (Coblentz) Miller, and his wife, Katie, is a daughter of Mart A. and the late Fanny (Troyer) Miller.

Allen County, Indiana

Christy Schmucker, 42, was ordained bishop in the late Joe Schwartz district, May 4th.

Adams County, Indiana

Toby Swartzentruber, 39, Geneva R2, was ordained minister, May 24th. His wife, Lovina, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Graber.

Jonas Graber Jr., 31, Geneva R2, was ordained minister, May 24th. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Graber, and is married to the former Mattie Lambright of Wisconsin.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Jonathan D. Miller, 49, Wolcottville R2, was ordained minister in the Daniel J. Bontrager district. He is a son of the late Dan and Elizabeth U. (Yoder) Miller, and his wife, Clara, is a daughter of J. S. S. and Wilma (Troyer) Miller.

Ora Bontrager, 33, was ordained minister in the Amzie Troyer west district, May 16th. He is a son of Manas B. and Ida (Yoder) Bontrager, and his wife, Susie, is a daughter of Ora and Anna (Troyer) Hostetler.

Dewayne Yoder, 22, Shipshewana R2, was ordained deacon in the Joe Yoder South Shipshewana District, May 24th. He is a son of Min. Menno and Alice (Beachy) Yoder, and his wife, Wilma, is a daughter of Joni and Susie (Bontrager) Miller.

Reuben Bontrager, 31, was ordained minister in the Joni B. Miller district. He is a son of Bishop Daniel J. and Mary R. (Bontrager) Bontrager, and his wife, Mary Etta, is a daughter of David and Anna (Yoder) Troyer.

Kokomo, Indiana

Andrew E. Yoder, 51, of Amboy R1, was ordained minister, May 4th. He is a son of Ezra J. and Jemima (Mullet) Yoder of Garnett, Kansas, and his wife, Clara, is a daughter of Joe E. Herschberger. With him in the lot were Tobe, Alvin, Eli L. and Raymond E. Miller, Elmer R. Otto, Albert L. Hochstedler, David M. Herschberger, and Ivan J. Gingerich.

Milroy, Indiana

Junior E. Hershberger, 35, was ordained minister in East District, May 18th. He is a son of Pre. Eli Hershberger of Holmes Co., Ohio. There were three in the lot.

Freeman R. Yutzy, 28, was ordained minister in West District, May 18th. He is a son of the late Raymond N. Yutzy. There were five in the lot.

Jamesport, Missouri

Tobie Detweiler, 26, was ordained minister in the South District, May 25th. He is a son of Bishop Tobe Detweiler, and his wife, Amanda, is a daughter of Pre. Crist Troyers of Holmes County, Ohio.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Conewango Valley, N. Y.

Raymond A. Byler, wife and two children, left for Michigan on Friday, May 23, intending to make that their future home.

Mrs. Abe A. Miller had an appendicitis operation about four weeks ago and is getting along good. She is a daughter of Pre. John S. Miller and he a son of Abner P. Miller.

AMHERST, WISCONSIN MISHAP

Monroe Yoders met with a little mishap Friday evening, May 23, when on their way to meet her parents, Dan Lehmans of Indiana, who came on the bus. A wind storm came up and dumped them in the ditch, demolishing their buggy beyond repair. No serious injuries, only some black and blue spots. They borrowed a buggy and went on their way again. No other damage done elsewhere.

SEVEN HORSES DIE FROM POISONING

Ben C. Millers of Shipshewana R2, Ind., lost seven horses during April and May. They think it was sumac or poison they ate while pasturing in the woods. They would probably be interested to know if anyone had a similar experience.

LOGGING ACCIDENT

Elmer P., 19, son of Mrs. Katie Beachy, Meyersdale, Pa., met with an accident while working in the woods. The tree he was cutting fell the wrong direction and hit him causing him to twist his ankle. He has a torn ligament and had a walking cast put on, but wasn't able to walk on it because of pain.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Bloomfield, Iowa

David Yutzy was admitted to the hospital with a blood clot in his leg. By xraying a dark spot was found on his colon. Upon operating nothing could be found so took out his appendix instead.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Mifflin Co., Pa.

Menno S. Zook, of Allensville, was taken to the hospital, April 29th, with chest pains and low blood pressure. Doctors were uncertain if the low blood pressure was caused by the chest pains or the chest pains caused by the low blood pressure.

OAKLAND, MARYLAND ACCIDENTS

James, 2-year-old son of Levi E. Millers, had the misfortune of having a heavy wheel fall on his foot from a baler, breaking several bones in his foot. His foot was put in a cast.

Ivan J. Miller and Andrew R. Miller had a tractor accident, giving them both head injuries. Andrew also had several deep burns on his arm which required skin grafting. He had a stay of almost four weeks at the hospital, then was at home recuperating. Ivan was soon able to go home but had to return to the hospital later for tests, where they decided they wouldn't have to operate on his head after all. He was at home doing light work again.

NOTICE!! We publish a "Senior Sunshine" page in the June issue of THE DIARY each year, listing our older members who are 80 years old and older. We would like to bring this list up to date in the June 1975 issue. Please send us any corrections and additions to last year's list. Anyone please feel free to send them to us.

ATTENTION!!

Should we have a Schmucker, Smucker, Smoker genealogy and heritage national reunion in 1976 at the Stone House built by the early Schmucker's near Reading, Pennsylvania? Indicate interest by contacting:

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

The month of May was cool and wet till after the 15th, then we had a sudden warm spell and temperature went up to 90 degrees on the 20th. This was hard on horses, at least three farmers lost horses due to the heat. Low temperature for the month was 55 on the 25th; more rain than normal, with a total of 6.5 inches. Corn planting is about two weeks behind schedule, due to the wet weather. What plants were set out had plenty of rain to start well. Alfalfa is mostly harvested, with some putting theirs in silo. Some real nice hay was put up, but most had rain. Alfalfa weevils were worse than the past several years, most alfalfa stubble was sprayed. Earliest corn is 8 to 10 inches high. Earliest barley is ready to cut. Grain crops look extra good. This cool weather may bring on the army worms.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

Close to seven inches rain here in May scattered throughout. Tremendous growing weather. Starting the 17th we had nearly a week of 90 degree weather, humid, and hard on horses. Also had several storms; on Sat., the 24th, it varied from ½ to over 3 inches which fell in a few hours in this area, causing some washout. Hay making is on schedule, some are cutting barley. Crops look good.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 5.9 inches.

Market Report: Choice and prime cattle brought from $52 to $54 Cwt. again; Stockers and Feeders, $28 to $39 Cwt.; Prime Veal, $78 to 82.50 Cwt.; Choice Spring Lambs, $60 to $100 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, $46 to $50 Cwt.; 40 lb. Feeder Pigs, .90 to 1.10 per lb.; Dairy Cows at New Holland, $465 to $630; Corn, 2.90 bu.; Wheat, 2.95 bu.; Barley, 2.10 bu.; Oats, 1.75 bu.; Potatoes, retail, 2.50 to 3.00 Cwt.; Milk, around 8.25 Cwt.; Hay, $47 to $109 Ton; Straw, $38 to $48 Ton; Heavy Fowl, 15¢ to 25¢ per lb.; Pullets, 42¢ to 54¢ lb.; Turkey Hens, 45¢ lb.

by Elam S. Beiler

Corn was planted in between showers, most was planted the 9th and 10th, then again on the 19th, with the balance the last week in May. Still some plowing done the last week in May. Corn started well, due to ideal growing weather, early corn 8 in. high. Some horses were lost on the 22nd as was a very warm humid day. Most of the alfalfa is mowed, not very much baled yet. Will make a lot of hay if you can get it all as most of it is down. Spittle bugs are back again this year. Not much tobacco transplanting done yet as plants are not ready as early this year. Tomatoes were put out the middle of the month. Rye fields were cut latter part for silage or straw. Not quite as heavy as some years as April was cool and dry. Rye fields were plowed for late silo corn. Strawberries and sugar peas just starting. Wheat went into heads about the 22nd and is blooming now, most of it is standing well, but some is down, especially in southern section where they had heavier rain.

by Ammon F. Fisher

Thunder showers the 6th. Very nice and real warm the 8th. May had a lot of 90 degree weather, very hard on horses in field. The 21st we had ½ in. thunder shower, 1½ miles west they worked in field all day, in evening had another .2 in. thunder shower when other places had over an inch. The 24th we had 98 degree temperature with humidity very high. Next day at noon it was 58 degrees and very chilly. May had 5.8 inches of rain.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

Our cool, spring weather turned to warm growing weather on May 19. Grain and hay fields are growing very fast since, and crops in general are coming along fine after the late start this spring. A good many farmers have cut alfalfa already for hay. We had 5.5 inches of rain. Corn was planted later than usual, but is growing now to make up for it.

Bradford County, Pennsylvania, by Clemens Nissley

The weather in May was warmer than usual. We had ideal moisture for good growth. Hay fields look promising, although it is getting dry now. Oats fields are nice and green. Most corn is planted; a lot is up. Pasture is plentiful.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Beiler

We are having wonderful growing weather. In May there were 15 days that it rained, sometimes just thunder and showers. It always freshened things up, but did not stay wet long. Since May 19, temperatures were in the 80's. Quite a few people planted several acres tomatoes. Corn is about planted; hay making is starting.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam M. Troyer

The first part of May was quite normal, but the third week was warmer than usual. We had above 90 in the shade a few times. We had over 4½ inches of rain, well distributed, so we had very nice growing weather. Com is about all planted. Hay making is about to start, and looks like a good crop. Fruit is looking good. Harry M. Troyer, who has a cider press, was shaking his head thinking about how he might become swamped with pressing next fall. Last fall they pressed over 6000 gallons in one day. For two weeks they averaged over 4000 gallons a day.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

May was a month of warm growing weather and showers. It started in rainy with 2½ inches of rain the first week. We had a total of 6 in, for the month. On May 24 we had 1.5 in. in a short time. Lowest temperature was 36, highest in the 90's. The third week was very warm and summerlike. Grass and garden things are growing very nice. Corn planting is nearly finished now. Some alfalfa has been cut. Peas are blooming. Sugar peas ready to eat in a week or two. Strawberries are beginning to ripen.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y. Renno

The weather during May was mostly wet and very warm. Temperatures soared into the 90's in the afternoons. We had no frost in May except for the first 3 days. A total of 3½ inches rain fell in May, most of it the first half of the month. By the end of the month it got quite dry on top, as the sun was very warm for three weeks. Farmers are well on with corn planting, and hay looks very tall and thick. 120-day corn should not be planted after June 1 in this area, or it will freeze before it is matured. However, the late planted corn always does much better and grows faster than the early corn, also the long-season corn does much better than the short-season, 90 to 110- day corn. Corn and oats are a good stand. Alfalfa weevils are worse this year than they have been for five years. It looks as if fruit will be plentiful this summer.

Franklin County, Pennsylvania, by Jacob Flaud

The first of May was damp and cool with rain. Farmers were busy plowing and working corn ground. Most of the corn was planted by the end of the month. Some hay was mowed the last week. It was very warm the last two weeks, almost too warm for the horses.

Path Valley, Pennsylvania, by Daniel Z. Beiler

We had cool weather with some rain the first half of May, followed by a week of very warm, humid weather that brought things on in a hurry. The last week has been more cool, with a few showers. Corn planting started a little late, but was mostly done in good time. A start has been made at hay-making. It went slow last week, due to cool, cloudy weather. Gardens, etc. look very good. Strawberries are start-to ripen, peas are blooming.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

The first half of May was wet, giving farmers a little chance to work in the ground. The last half was warm with scattered thunder showers, bringing the total rainfall for May to 5.2 inches. A lot of corn was planted, which soon came up and is growing. Farmers are very busy as there is still some plowing to be done, and plenty of corn to be planted, while hay is waiting to be made. Small grain crops look promising. Gardens are doing well, and strawberries are ripe.

Oakland, Maryland, by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

May started in cool and wet, but this past week it has been exceptionallywarm with temperatures going to 80 and higher. Lots of planting has been done since it dried off. Grass is making good growth, as well as early gardens, since the warm weather.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Mary A. Kinsinger

The weather for May was on the wet side most of the month. The last two weeks there were scattered showers of only 2 or 3 tenths at a time, which soon dried off. The last two weeks were quite warm with quite a bit of thunder. Total rainfall was 5.7 inches. Oats and corn are mostly all in the ground. Lettuce, radishes, and onions are on the menu. Parochial schools are closed for this term.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania, by Dan J. Troyer

May was drier than usual. The forepart was cool, but no heavy frost. Coldest was 36. The latter part was warmer and not much rain until the very last. Corn and oats were planted earlier than usual. Still some corn to be planted. Hay crop looks good. Some alfalfa is being put in silos.

Guys Mills, Pennsylvania, by Melvin D. Byler

Weather for May was very good for the farmers in this area, with just enough rain to keep moisture in the ground. The last few days we had a good bit of rain. Ideal corn and hay weather with temperature up around the 80's the latter part of May. Most of the corn is planted. Oats looks nice. Hay has improved quite a bit in the last week, although it is still behind from some years. Feed prices are still about the same. Soybean meal is around $7.65 cwt.; shelled corn $6.25 cwt.; oats $6.95 cwt. Livestock prices have improved somewhat this month. Cows $25 to $26.50 cwt. for good, medium $23 to $25, common $20 to $23; bulls $27 to $28 cwt.; steers $38; feeders $25 to $35 cwt.; dairy cows from $400 to $500; calves choice veal $50; farm calves $29 to $35 cwt.

Townville, Pennsylvania, by Willis J. Hostetler

May was mostly sunny and warm with occasional showers. Most of the corn is planted. Oats looks good. Milk is $8.05 cwt. Sugar is down to $2.69 for ten pounds.

Conewango Valley, New York, by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

May has been a very warm month, below normal rainfall. Crops went in earlier than usual. Fruit trees were loaded with blossoms, especially the apples. Early gardens look nice.

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

May has been more dry than wet, although the last week has been exceedingly wet. The temperature has been about normal. Field planting has been done in good time. Hay and pastures are making real progress. Wheat is heading out. Corn is 4 to 6 in. high. Oats looks very promising. All fruit bloomed heavy, and late frosts were light.

Stark County, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

May was one of the nicest months we had for a long time. It was also a dry month. We had a little shower on the first, on the fourth we had ½ inch. On the seventh we had a light frost, then nice weather till the 21st when we had a little rain. We had a few mornings of heavy fog. On May 26-27 we had some good rains, now things are really growing. The pasture seems very good at present. The new planted corn seems to be coming along very good. It was a very nice spring for the farmers to get their crops in. Livestock market: Hogs, top 48¢; steers 49½; cows 31¢; calves 57¢; heifers 33½¢; lambs 57¢.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary Yoder

The month of May was warm and dry. Some have plowing to do yet and corn to plant. People have started to make hay.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Lovina J. Miller

Temperature is 70 degrees and had a good rain. Weeds are plentiful; potatoes ready to plant if weather permits. Tomatoes and cauliflower were planted. Peas are starting to bloom so we hope for a good crop. Oats fields are nice and green, and most of the corn is planted around here. Men are hauling manure.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

The weather for May was somewhat dry. We had 2½ inches of rain, and wonderful growing weather. Grass is very nice and green, and gardens look good. Corn is planted. Hay looks like a promising crop. Strawberries have started to ripen.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N.. Borntrager

We had a good shower April 30, then no rain until the last week in May when it rained 1½ inches. It was really getting dry. Lots of pasture; hay has good length; wheat is heading out. The oats is fighting the bugs. Plenty of moisture to give corn a good start. Hogs are over 48¢ a pound. Cattle are up some. Farmers started putting grass in the silos.

Southeastern Holmes, by John L.. Yoder

Our weather for May was good for planting corn; enough moisture that most fields worked nice, but still enough dry weather to keep field work moving. Grass, wheat, and oats made good progress, and corn is mostly up. We had a good shower the last of May. Hog prices have improved some. Pigs are still high. Beef cattle also advanced some in price.

Western Holmes Co., by Monroe A. Weaver

April and May were both somewhat dry. May ended wet, with 2½ inches rain the last week. Quite a bit of hay down, not much baled yet. Corn and wheat fields look good in general. Some corn lacked moisture to sprout and the stand isn't so good. Low temp. was 40. Livestock prices are higher, making a better demand for feeder cattle, and a real demand for feeder pigs. Perhaps the high feed prices brought this on, creating a shortage on hogs and cattle on feed.

Danville, Ohio, by Mrs. Tobe Hostetler

We had a very nice spring, but more dry than usual. Crops and gardens look nice. Wonderful hay weather. Men are ready to cultivate corn. It looks to be a large fruit year if nothing happens. Cherry trees are loaded.

Ashland, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

The weather in May was very warm and wet, very good growing weather, lots of nice sunshiny days. Hay is ready to be made soon and looks good. Strawberries are just coming on, looks like a good crop due to wet weather. Most all of gardens are planted and look promising.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

The first part of May was normal, but around the middle of the month we had unusually warm weather, with temperature up to 90 degrees, good growing weather with plenty of moisture. Hay and grass are coming along good. Oats and corn are probably all planted now. Grade B bulk milk price at the present time is $6.90 Cwt.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

The beginning of May was very cool and damp, changing to warmer around the middle of the month, with some heavy rainstorms including some hail. The latter part of the month we had quite hot and again some severe storms of dust and rain, Some damage was done from wind. Crops in general look good, especially the wheat. Some corn was a foot high at the end of the month, but some was not up yet.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

We had 7 inches of rain in May, with a high of 90 and very humid. Very little corn was planted before May 15, but most of it is planted now. The oats, wheat, and hay in the area are looking to be a heavy crop.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

May had a few days of hot, muggy weather, also thunderstorms with some wind and several inches of rain in a few days. Corn is all planted and some are starting to make hay.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K.. Stoltzfus

May started in cool with a nice amount of rainfall. Cherry and apple trees bloomed very nicely. May 15 we had some rain. May 20 and 21 it was 90, with thunderstorms in the afternoon. Lots of corn is up, and still some to be planted on heavy soil. Gardens are coming along nicely. May 25-26 stormy in the evenings. Nice sunshine till May 29-30 rain in the P..M.. Strawberries are beginning to ripen.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

During May we had real nice weather. We had enough moisture, and much planting and sowing was done. Seldom were fruit trees in more lush and pretty bloom. However, towards the 18th we were wishing for rain, and we had a nice shower. It was quite warm for a few days with sunshine. On May 25 we had quite a storm with thunder and some hail. Lightning struck and killed 8 milk cows for Joe W.. Yoder, in the field. It cooled off somewhat, but was in the upper 80's, and we had some showers since. Some hay is cut as farmers are faced with a yellow worm in the alfalfa which strips leaves, making it necessary to spray lest they eat the next plant, too. Gardens and lawns are keeping women "up and at it."

Nappanee, by Mrs. Alvin E. Burkholder

Weather for the month of May was real cool the first half of the month, then exceptionally warm. During the last week several days were over 90 which set a record for those days. Rainfall has been plentiful, which means ideal growing weather. Planting is about done in fields and gardens. Lawns are lush and green. Wheat is in heads, oats growing nicely. Some hay is mowed and got a good soaking on June 1 and 2. Peas are blooming. Strawberry picking comes next. Women are preparing for the "Oh, my aching back" season.

Kosciusko County, Indiana, by Joni D. Gingerich

May was a good growing month, plenty of moisture and warm enough to make things really grow. Pastures have been lush,hay has a good growth, oats looks very good, and wheat is headed out. Early corn is 6-7 inches high, some is just coming up, and there is a small amount to be planted on heavy soil, on account of a few wet spells. We had 5.8 inches of rain for the month. We had seven sunny days and three all cloudy. The high was 90 on May 20 and the low was 40 on the 13th. Farm prices are down again from last month. Soybeans $4.69; shelled corn $2.57; wheat $2.63; oats $1.65 per bu,; eggs from 45¢ to 60¢ doz; potatoes from $4 to $5 per hundred. Sugar has come down to $2.81 for 10 pounds.

Kokomo, Indaina, by Mrs. Ivan J.. Gingerich

The first of May brought two weeks of beautiful sunshine, giving the farmers a chance to get their corn and beans planted. The women were busy planting more garden things, but most welcomed the 3 inches of rain received in the third week. Lots of thunder and lightning accompanied the rain, and some places they had some crop damage from a downpour. The last weekbrought some very nice showers giving everything a good boost. Strawberries are beginning to ripen, and peas will soon be ready. Quite a few farmers have their first cutting hay made.

Milroy, Indiana, by John R. Yutzy

April and May were extra nice this year. No measureable rain in April until the 19th when we had ½ in. We had more showers the last of April with a total of 3 inches. May only brought us 1½ inches. It was getting dry the last of May until we had 1 inch in small showers. Planting of corn and soybeans is pretty well done, with most farmers done by May 20. Wheat is headed out and looks very nice. Most of the corn has a good stand. It was up to 90 a few times from May 20 to 24, but cooled off by the end of the month. Hay making has started.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

The weather has been very favorable for the farmer while we did have several pretty heavy rains and wind, also a few warm days. High was 90, one morning down to 50, mostly cool. Most of the corn was planted by the end of May. Most of the stands in the field seem to be normal. Hay making has been somewhat delayed.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Weather is plaesant. It had been getting dry until May 31 we had 1½ inches rain which refreshed vegetation again, Beans are being planted and hay making was in full swing the last two weeks. Wheat is turning fast and barley is about ready to cut. Grain prices are down. Beans $4.82; corn $2.65; wheat $2.45.

Ethridge, Tennessee, by Jacob J.. Gingerich

May was average, rainfall somewhat above average which was 8.1 inches. High was 86, low 48. Early corn is over knee high. Soybeans and cotton are from 1 to 5 inches high. Wheat and oats are turning fast. and look to be a fair crop. Hay is also a fair crop and has been in harvest for several weeks. Most likely some will be harvesting hay off and on till Nov.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by E. E. Schrock

May has been a beautiful month, not too hot or cold, and not too wet or dry. Gardens look good. Strawberries are ripening and seem to do good; peas are ready to eat. First cutting alfalfa is a good crop.

Reno County (Partridge), Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

We had good growing conditions during May, with rains coming as we needed them. First cutting hay was a good crop for those that sprayed for weevils. However, quite a bit got rained on while lying, lowering the quality somewhat. Wheat in this area is looking very good. Strawberries are a good crop and coming a week or two later than usual. The last three days brought us 3½ inches of rain, causing a lot of wheat and barley to go down.

Anabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y.. Borntrager

The forepart of May has been ideal planting weather. Lots of crops went into the fields. May 20 a wind and dust storm hit the area, taking off barn roofs and demolishing small buildings,.also had some rain. The last two weeks we have had real wet weather. Rains came very streaky.. Still some crops to be put out, such as silage corn and soybeans.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

Weather remains on the dry side. We had several good showers of rain, and quite a few cloudy days, but not enough to really soak. Hay making is in full swing, but crop is not as good as sometimes. It sells for 90¢ behind the baler. Barley is ready to be cut. Wheat is beginning to turn. Women folks are busy with strawberries, mulberries, and canning peas.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

May was quite dry so that the ground was cracking open. From the 25th to 31st we had 3 to 4 inches rain. Some farmers were waiting for rain to finish planting corn. Hay making and strawberry picking have started, which looks to be a good crop.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

We had only a few warm days in May. Mostly pleasant weather to work horses. Spring work is well along. Corn and beans are nearly all planted. Wheat is headed out and early oats starting to head. Plenty of moisture yet. Haying is starting and looks like a good crop.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

The rainfall for May was below normal. On May 8 we had 1½ in., then not much until the 24th. Since then we had an ample amount. On May 20 a high, suction type wind came up from the south. It picked up dust and blew it high in the sky that you couldn't see very far; and was miserable to be out in it. In our community there was only minor damage to buildings. Many limbs broke off and some trees blew over. Most of the crops are planted, although some spring plowing was held back from lack of moisture to work it down. Early hay, like alfalfa and orchard grass, is put up already. Hay seems to be short. Gardens look nice. Strawberries are in full prime at the end of the month. Plenty of buyers, at 60¢ qt.

Johnson County, Iowa, by **Eli S. Bontrager**

We have had mostly light showers in May. It was a little dry on top, but near the end of the month we had an inch of rain. Crops were put out in fair time. Corn is all planted, but there are a few beans to plant yet, while some are up already. Pastures are good, and hay looks promising.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by **Joe A. Yoder**

We had 5.3 inches of rain in May. We had warm days for most of the month. The last week was cool and damp. Crops are mostly in ground except a few late ones. Wonderful growing weather.

Milton, Iowa, by **Delbert R. Schmucker**

Oats were all sown the first few days in May, and look very nice. Just enough showers to really make things grow. Most of the corn is in, too. Still some beans to plant. We had 5.7 inches of rain. The low was 43 and the high 94. No field work was done the last week. Beans $5; corn $2.57; fat hogs were up to $49.50, but down to $45. Fat cattle $50; feeder pigs around $1 a lb.; feeder cattle up to $35.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by **Jacob D. Hochstetler**

May was about average. We had a frost the first, but no damage. It was very warm for two weeks, up to 90 a few days. It cooled off again the last week, with several showers. Oats is up and looks good. Most of the corn is planted. Hay is starting to head out. Most garden things are up. Some people have lettuce and radishes to eat. Strawberries are blooming.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by **Mrs. L. J. Borntrager**

We had a nice May with some cool days and on the 16th a light frost. The week of the 19th we had a few very warm days, above 80 in the shade. In the last half of the month it started to get dry. Plowing sod was quite difficult. It rained a nice shower on the 22nd, and we had a drizzle rain on the 30th. Some light showers in between. Corn is being planted. Some fields are up already. Alfalfa fields look good. Early garden things are on the menu. Strawberries are blooming.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by **Joe C. Borntreger**

May was mostly cool with a nice amount of rain. Oats and hay are growing nicely, wheat is over knee high. Most of the corn is planted, and some is big enough to cultivate.

Chetek, Wisconsin, by **Mrs. Henry J. Lehman**

We had some very warm weather in May, which was unusual to have high 80's and 90 this early. The last few days we had some nice rains. Several tornadoes were reported throughout the state, with some damage and hail at places. Our spring was late, but crops look exceedingly good. There are some farms for sale within a few miles of the Amish.

Blair, Wisconsin, by **Mrs. Moses S. Miller**

May had mostly nice, warm weather, a few nice rains. The last few days were cool, damp, or rainy. Hay looks real good. Oats is coming nice. Corn is mostly planted. Gardens are coming good.

Medford, Wisconsin, by **John Schmucker, Jr.**

May was fair, by mid- May a lot of oats went in. Still a lot of corn to get in. Gardens are planted. Everything was slow in greening up.

Wadena, Minnesota, by **William M. Schrock, Jr.**

We had real nice weather in May with lots of sunshine and a few nice rains. We had a little hail on May 20, some warm days, but the last three days were more cool. A lot of oats and corn was planted, a few farmers not done. Cultivating is starting. Looks like corn has a good start. Grass is growing very nice. Hay fields and oats look good.

Milverton, Ontario, by **Israel Kuepfer**

Most people started seeding the beginning of May. It was nice with a few showers, but no soakers. Gardens are mostly planted, with early things coming nice. It was warm and dry for about two weeks, but we had a nice shower on the 25th. Corn is being planted; strawberries are blooming and were greatly helped by the rain. Grass is coming along good. Cattle are mostly all in pasture.

St. Mary's, Ontario, by **A. M. Hochstetler**

Since the flood conditions of April 20, weather has been on the dry side. Very little precipitation in May, which made conditions favorable to get crops in. Warm days lately, Bush greened up around May 12. Early grain is up nice, some corn up. Hay and grass looks good. Eight to ten week old pigs $36 to $43. Fat hogs $63.10 (dressed weight); fat cattle $42 to $50; good dairy cattle, good prices. Some beans were planted latter part of May.

Tavistock, Ontario, by **Emanuel Peachey**

The beginning of May was rather changeable with some rain. The rest of the month we had no rain, except a few showers until the night of the 30th and 31st when we had 4/10 inch each time. We had very warm and humid weather starting May 17 and lasting till the 25th. Due to the favorable weather, crops were in early and got a good start. The recent rains helped everything considerably again.

Grey County, Ontario, by **Noah Stutzman**

May was mostly dry with very little measureable rainfall. A heat wave in mid-May made temperatures soar into the 80's. Most crops are in, but some grain is coming up poorly due to the dry weather. Hay and strawberries will be a short crop without rain soon.

Aylmer, Ontario, by **LeRoy Eicher**

May was quite warm and dry. The last week we had some rain and a few cooler days. Most of the crops are in.

Lucknow, Ontarion, by **Edward Gingerich**

Most of May was exceptionally warm, with enough moisture to make excellent seeding conditions. Grain seeding was mostly finished by the 17th, and quite a bit of corn was in by then. On May 19-20 we had showers followed by a very warm week, then thunder showers again. Seeding is about through except some silage corn. Hay looks like a very good crop.

TOWARD THE EIGHTIES

We folks up toward the eighties,
With our hair all turning white,
Are like the birds of latter autumn,
Making ready for their flight.
At the ending of our journey,
When our earthly trials are o'er,
We will thank and praise our Saviour,
Whom we worship and adore.
On that bright and glorious morning,
May we hear these words, "WELL-DONE,
Thou good and faithful servant,"
Abide with Me, the victory's won.

R. D. Cramer

from "For the Older Folks" by Cyrus Osterhus

sie werden sein ein Fleisch
1 Mosis 2:24

MARRIAGES

LeRaysville, Pennsylvania

Girod, Yoder – Sam, son of Ernest and Fannie (Swartz) Girod, to Sylvia, daughter of Dan and Lovina (Troyer) Yoder, May 29, by Bishop Menno Girod.

Oakland, Maryland

Brenneman, Swartzentruber – Eli Jr., son of the late Eli and Sadie (Kinsinger) Brenneman of Salisbury, Pa., to Katie, daughter of Claude S. and Rachel (Byler) Swartzentruber, April 24, by Bishop Norman Schrock.

Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Miller – Andy, son of Andy S. Bylers, to Ida, daughter of Albert M. P. Millers, May 29th.

Bender, Troyer – Kenneth, son of Norman E. and Lydia Bender, to Sarah, daughter of Pre. Albert M. and Katie (Mast) Troyer, May 29, by Bishop Eli E. Troyer.

Kauffman, Byler – Melvin, son of John C. Kauffmans, to Elma, daughter of Pre. Dan C. Bylers, June 3rd.

Yoder, Schmucker – Elmer, son of Dea. Sam E. Yoders, to Ruth, daughter of Joe J. Schmuckers, June 3.

Miller, Byler – Daniel, son of John D. Millers, to Savannah, daughter of Prs. Nevin U. Bylers, June 15.

Miller, Byler – Dan, son of John J. S. Millers, to Mary Ann, daughter of Joe J. C. Bylers, June 15.

Wayne County, Ohio

Hershberger, Miller – Sam N. Hershberger to Fannie J. Miller, in March, by Bishop Sam Y. Hershberger.

Holmes County, Ohio

Miller, Hochstetler – Ervin, son of Nelson and Anna Wengerd, to Martha, daughter of Ivan L. and Mattie Miller, May 8, by Jacob M. Mast.

Coblentz, Hershberger – Jacob J., son of Mrs. Katie (Miller) and the late Jacob Coblentz, to Mary, daughter of Bishop Joe M. Hershbergers of Millersburg R3, May 15, by Bishop Jonas Hershberger of Wisconsin. The two bishops are twin brothers.

Troyer, Hostetler – Daniel, son of Dea. David E. Hostetler, to Ruth, daughter of Jonas A. Troyer of Mt. Hope, May 17, by Bishop Roman D. Mast.

Yoder, Troyer – Robert, son of Eli L. and the late Malinda (Beachy) Yoder, to Freda, daughter of Pre. Atlee A. and Nettie (Miller) Troyer, May 29th.

Beachy, Troyer – Emery, son of Vernon A. and Freda (Troyer) Beachy, to Betty, daughter of Pre. Noah J. and Edna Troyer, May 27th.

Mast, Raber – Roman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Mast of Fredericksburg R2, to Lydia Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Raber of Millersburg R3, May 29.

Troyer, Nisley – Henry E., son of Eli A. and Fannie (Hershberger) Troyer, to Emma, daughter of Em. A. and Mary (Schlabach) Nisley.

Swartzentruber, Troyer – Dan, son of Gideon G. and Fannie (Yoder) Swartzentruber, to Wilma, daughter of Eli J. and Katie (Hershberger) Troyer.

Ashland, Ohio

Keim, Miller – Elias, son of William and Laura Keim, to Sarah, daughter of Henry B. and Katie Miller, May 6, by Bishop Albert Keim.

Adams County, Indiana

Shetler, Schwartz – David, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake J. Shetler Jr., Berne R1, to Verna E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi H. Schwartz, Monroe R1, May 8, by Bishop Amos Graber.

Hilty, Schwartz – Sam J., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Hilty, Geneva R2, to Martha B., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest B. Schwartz, Berne R1, May 15, by Bishop Jake K. Hilty.

Schwartz, Shetler – Levi B., son of Mr. and Mrs. Christ E. Schwartz, Geneva R2, to Lucy M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi J. Shetler, Monroe R1, May 29, by Bishop Sim Hilty.

Schwartz, Schwartz – Noah A., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe R. Schwartz, Monroe R1, to Josephine E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter A. Schwartz, Geneva R1, May 15th.

Allen County, Indiana

Graber, Schmucker – David, son of Harvey and Maggie (Schwartz) Graber, to Anna Mae, daughter of Amos and Mary (Graber) Schmucker, May 8, by Bishop Amos M. Schmucker.

Miller, Eicher – Daniel, son of Daniel and Lovina (Lengacher) Miller, to a daughter of Andy and Esther (Schwartz) Eicher, May 22, by Bishop Samuel J. Graber.

Elkhart County, Indiana

Lehman, Mast – Glen, son of Amos Lehman of Nappanee, to Thelma, daughter of Joe and Josephine (Slabach) Mast of Goshen, May 1st.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Miller – Melvin Ray, son of Mrs. Edna Miller of Arthur, Illinois, to Mary, daughter of Levi U. and Verna (Miller) Miller, May 7th.

Bontrager, Stutzman – Harley Jr., son of Harley and Mary Ellen (Slabach) Bontrager, to Treva D. Stutzman of Nappanee, in May.

Chupp, Miller – Floyd, son of Wm. and Lydia (Miller) Chupp, to Lorene, daughter of Orva and Elma (Miller) Miller, May 14th.

Bontrager, Lambright – Arla, son of Amos W. and Wilma (Miller) Bontrager, to Sadie, daughter of Harley and Esther (Miller) Lambright, May 29, by her uncle, Bishop Calvin T. Lambright.

Nappanee, Indiana

Schlabach, Chupp – Perry Jay, son of Henry J. and Elizabeth (Wingard) Schlabach, Goshen R1, to Doretta, daughter of John H. and Katie E. (Yoder) Chupp, Nappanee R2, May 8, by Bishop Lonnie Slabaugh.

Schrock, Helmuth – Joseph, son of Levi S. and Ida Mae (Wingard) Schrock, Middlebury, to Martha, daughter of Andy and Lovina (Schwartz) Helmuth, Nappanee R2, May 14, by Bishop John L. Schwartz.

Miller, Gingerich – Ernest H., son of Harold L. and Elizabeth J. (Beachy) Miller, Topeka R2, to Delila, daughter of Clarence and Mary Ellen (Yoder) Gingerich, Nappanee R2, May 15, by the bride's grandfather, Bishop Eli J. Yoder.

Arthur, Illinois

Miller, Miller – Raymond, son of Bishop Henry and Mattie (Bontrager) Miller, to Carlyn, daughter of Andy J. and Anna (Brenneman) Miller

Helmuth, Miller – George, son of B. J. K. and Edna (Marner) Helmuth, to Lorene, daughter of Jake and Edna (Miller) Miller, May 8th.

Jamesport, Missouri

Swartz, Swartz – Jacob, son of Amos Swartzes of Berne, Ind., to Mary, daughter of Sam and Susie (Miller) Swartz, May 1st.

Audrain County, Missouri

Yoder, Miller – Ora, son of Elmer and Edna Yoder, to Dena, daughter of Menno and Katie Miller, May 15.

Buchanan County, Iowa

Bontrager, Schwarz – Felty, son of Amos Bontrager, Cashton, Wis., to Anna, daughter of Bishop Menno Schwarz Jr., Hazleton, Iowa, May 22, by Bishop Christ Bontrager of Cashton, Wisconsin.

Bontrager, Kauffman, – Levi, son of Dea. Joe F. Bontrager, Milton, Iowa, to Emma, daughter of Dan Kauffmans, Fairbank, Iowa, May 29, by Bishop Eli Detweiler of Milton, Iowa.

Medford, Wisconsin

Miller, Borntrager – Harvey J., son of Joe H. Millers, to Emma, daughter of Ben P. Borntragers, April 3rd.

Schrock, Lehman – Alvin Schrock, son of Will A. Schrocks, to Anna, daughter of Sam Lehman, April 8.

A brave, little old lady who had once lived in an atmosphere of culture and security, had to spend her last years in the poorhouse. She came to know the Lord, and always seemed happy, and has a testimony for her Lord.

When she lay on her deathbed, she said, "I have just one request. When it is all over, I want someone to sing my favorite song at the last service."

The chaplain wrote later:

"I shall never forget the day we laid her to rest. All was drab and drear, and disconsolate. Then a transfiguration took place. A deep, rich, contralto voice was singing triumphantly over the pine box: 'I'M A CHILD OF THE KING!' And she was. She had moved out of the poorhouse into her Father's house of 'many mansions.'"

from "For the Older Folks" by Cyrus Osterhus

Das erſte theil von einen Brief
geſchrieben zu der Chriſtian Miller
von der Chriſtian Peterſheim

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Juni den 8ten 1879 Aurora Poſt

Preſton County W. Pa.

Gnade frieden
und Barmherzigkeit

Gnade frie von Gott dem himliſchen Vatter und die reine liebe Jeſu und die mitwürkente kraft des heiligen Geiſtes Winſhen mir Euch mit einem hertzfreindlichn Gruß an dich Chriſtian Miller und an dein Weib und Kinder wie auch an al die übrichen freind und bekanten. Weiter las ich dich wiſen das Ich dein brif bekomen hab welches Mich erfreuent und hab geſehen das dir uns gern mol beſuchen detet wan die geſuntheit es erlaubt welches Mich noch mener erfreuet hat und det mich noch mer freuen wan Ich Euch mol ſehen det komen. Weiter was die geſuntheit anget ſin Mir zimlich geſund wi gewenlich aber Ich bin ſchon lang kein geſunter Man me und mein Weib iſt auch ſchwechlich. Des frihjahr ein jahr hab ich die rumetis kat das Ich ongefer 12 Wochen nichts thun hab kenen. Ein zeitlang hab Ich net durch das haus lafen kenen one 2 ſtek. Mir hauſen noch ſelber, unſer kinder ſin noch al letig bis uf mein eltſter Son iſt geheirat und wont in Ohio.

Fortſetzung folgt

Juni dem 8ten 1879 Aurora Post

Preston County W Va
Gnade frieden und barmherzigkeit

gnade sein von gott dem himlischen Vatter und
die einen lieben Jesu und die mitwürkende
kraft das heiligen geistes Wünschen wir euch mit
einem herzfreindlichen gruß an dich Christian
Miller und an dein Weib und kinder Wie
auch an al die übrigen freind und
bekanten. Weiter las ich dich Wissen das ich dein
brief bekommen hab Welcher Mich erfreuet und
hab gesehen das dir uns gern Mol besuchen
dedet Wan die gesundt hat es erlaubt Welches
Mich Noch Wenner erfreuet hot und det Mich
Noch Mer freuen Wan ich euch Mol sehen det
kommen. Weiter Wos die gesundheit anget sin
Wir ziemlich gesund und Wi gewohnlich aber
Ich bin schon lang kein gesunder Man
Mer und Mein Weib ist auch schwächlich.
Das vorichjohr ein johr hab ich die rumatis kat
das ich ungefehr 12 Wochen Nichts thun hab
kenne. Ein zeitlang hab ich Net durich das
haus lofen kennen ohn 2 stek. Wir haben
Noch selber, unser kinder sin Noch al ledig
bis uf Mein eltster son ist geheirat und
Wont in Ohio.

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE JOHN OR HANS AND MARY (EICHELMAN) BLANK FAMILY OF COCALICO TOWNSHIP

By Amos L. Fisher and Levi L. Stoltzfus

Continued from last month

The second son of "Cocalico Township" John Blank is (92) Peter Blank (1), born in 1753, in America, and married to Veronica Kauffman, the daughter and only child of Jacob Kauffman of West Nantmeal Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania. Jacob died in same township in 1785. His estate was settled by John Knagy and Son-in-law Peter Blank, and witnessed by Jacob Coblentz, John Hertzler and Yost Yoder. Peter Blank was ordained to the ministry in 1808 in Caernarvon Township, what we now call the Conestoga District, probably in the place of Bishop Jacob Mast who had died that same year. He was later ordained as bishop of that place, and, as we had stated before, his brother, Bishop John Blank, had charge of the Pequea District. Peter Blank died in 1831. To them were born nine children—namely, (93) Mary Blank (92), born in Berks County, March 3, 1783, married to Nicholas Mervins; (94) Jacob Blank (92), born Dec. 18, 1785, died in 1862, married to Leah Zook, a daughter of Jacob and Gertrude (Kenegy) Zook of Exton, Chester County; (95) John Blank (92), born Feb. 3, 1787, died in 1852, married to Elizabeth Miller, daughter of Pre. Christian Miller of Shillington, Berks Co., Pa.; (96) Christopher Blank (92), born in 1789, he probably died young as their next child was also named Christian; (97) Christian Blank (92), born June 28, 1791, married first to Elizabeth Zook, also a daughter of Jacob and Gertrude (Kenagy) Zook of Chester County, second to Mary Hartz; (98) Elizabeth Blank, born Dec. 17, 1793, married to David Reickenbach, son of Jacob and Barbara (Hertzler) Reickenbach of Reickenbach Station, north of Reading, Pa., they moved from the Maiden Creek section of Berks County to Pike Co., Ohio. (99) Anna Blank (92), born in 1798, married to Jacob Kauffman; (100) Samuel Blank (92), born Oct. 7, 1801, died in 1863, married to Sarah Kochel; (101) David Blank (92), born May 11, 1804, died in 1886, married to Rebecca Buckwalter, born in 1802 and died in 1870.

The third child of Cocalico John Blank was (102) Nicholas Blank (1), born in 1755. His wife's name is unknown at this time but he had four sons and lived in Cocalico Township as late as 1800. The children were Jacob, Johannes, Samuel, and David Blank. At this time not much is known of this family, but the "Biographical Annals of Cumberland Co., Pa." lists a Jacob Plank son of Nicholas Blank who invented and created a new type of plow, and was married to Mary Reifsnyder. It is very likely that this family moved with some other families to Cumberland County, such as several Lantz families and Christian and Anna (Lapp) Zook, a son of "Dick" Hans Zook. Christian Zook and some of their family are buried on the Messiah College grounds at Camp Hill about ten or so miles south of Harrisburg on the western side of the Susquehanna River.

The fourth child of Cocalico John Blank is (103) Catharine Blank (1), born about 1756 and married to Johannes King, son of the immigrant Samuel King of Berks County. To this family were born five children—namely, Abraham King married to Matty Nisley; John King married to Barbara Fisher; Anna King married first to John Smucker, second to Daniel Yoder, or better known as "der gross Dan Yoder" of Mifflin County; Christian King married to Fannie Hertzler. Catharine Blank, the wife of Johannes, died when her children were quite young so Johannes remarried to Nancy Renno, widow of Henry Hostetler, and moved from Berks County to East Lampeter Township, Lancaster County, on the farm now owned by Jacob Swarey. They had one child, Catharine King, married to George Beiler. Johannes King was a full deacon in the Amish Church. More details of this family will appear at a later date.

The fifth child of Cocalico John Blank was (104) Michael Blank (1), born about 1759. At this writing it is not known if he was married or not, but he lived in Cocalico Township up until 1810.

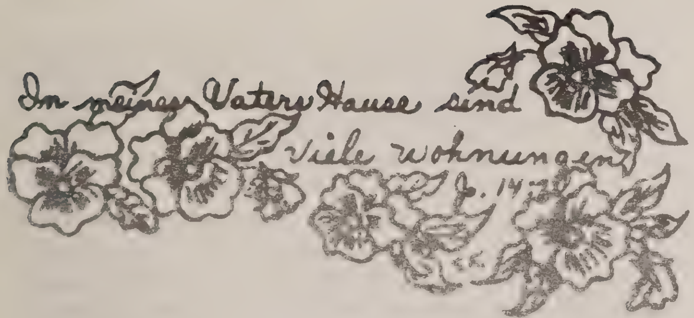
The sixth child was (105) Christian Blank (1), born about 1761, no further information is known.

The seventh child of Cocalico John Blank was (106) Barbara Blank (1), born in 1765, died in 1804, married to Abram Kurtz, son of Jacob (Eochley) and Elizabeth Kurtz of Manheim Township, born in 1754. They occupied part of the Blank farm in what is now West Cocalico Township, Lancaster County. The writer had the privilege within the last year to visit the cemetery on the old Blank farm, situated a few miles west of Denver on the road leading to Shoeneck. On the Russel Brubaker farm, a few hundred yards from the main farm buildings, you will find a small cemetery known as the Ruth Cemetery where lies buried Abraham Kurtz and his wife Barbara, with readable inscriptions on the tombstones. To them were born eight children—namely, (107) John Kurtz (106), born in 1785, died in 1865, married to Magdalena Funk, born in 1783, died in 1857, they had six children, Samuel, John married to Mary Sanders, Polly married to Jacob Dormback, Benjamin married to Sallie Wenger, and Jacob married to Lydia Hoffman; (108) Jacob Kurtz (106), died in 1829; (109) David Kurtz (106), 1798 - 1868, wife's name was Elizabeth; (110) Samuel Kurtz, 1787 - 1851, wife's name was Elizabeth; (111) Susan (106), married to Samuel Becker; (112) Barbara Kurtz (106); (113) Elizabeth Kurtz (106), married to Christian Ruth for whom the cemetery was named; (114) Ann Kurtz (106).

The eighth child of Cocalico John Blank was (115) Mary Blank (1), born in 1767, married to Bernard Wolf, nothing is known of this family at this writing but there are still some families living around Shoeneck by that name who are believed to be descendant from this family.

The youngest child of Cocalico John Blank was (116) Jacob Blank (1), born in 1767, nothing is known of him at this writing but he got the home farm after his father had divided some of the land to his other children.

End of Blank Family


In meines Vaters Hause sind
viele wohnungen
J. 14:2

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THE AMISH MENNONITES OF UNION COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

John Umble

I. Social and Religious Life

Continued from last month

Among the Union county Amish, discipline, at least in theory, was extremely rigourous. Even then it was not sufficiently strict to satisfy "Diener" Christian King and "Voelliger Armendiener" Michael Schwartz. The broadmindedness of "Voelliger Diener" Elias Riehl and the gentle patience of "Armendiener" Christian Stoltzfus helped make conditions more tolerable.

Minor offenses were punished by requiring the transgressor to make a public confession, to "confess a fault." Such minor offenses consisted in disobeying some church rule, like sitting for a photograph, for instance, or wearing some forbidden article of dress, or cutting or combing one's hair different from the prescribed mode. On one occasion two of the deacon's daughters let down their hair, combed out the heavy, rippling tresses, bound them with a ribbon, and sat for a photograph. Certain members were shocked, especially since it was falsely reported that they had borrowed fashionable clothing for the occasion. The unhappy young women were obliged to submit to the ordeal of a public confession. When the incident was closed, the elder sister remained somewhat unreconciled, but the younger, grieved and repentant at having caused her good old father pain, brought the photographs to him and said in the Pennsylvania German of that period, "Do, Date (pronounced, daw-ty), sin die Photographs. Du kannst sie havve. Du magst sie in der Offa stecka, wann du wit." The aged deacon looked at the photographs for a moment, then handed them back and said earnestly, "Sel guckt zu viel wie Lava. Ich kann sel net ins Offa stecka." (That looks too lifelike; I can't put that into the stove.) The photographs are still preserved.

On another occasion two young women of the congregation rejected two local suitors for two young men from Lancaster county whom they eventually married. A young woman of the congregation, relative of the rejected suitors, wrote a poem describing the cold reception accorded the rejected youths when they next appeared at the home of the young women. The poem added new fuel to the smoldering fires of discord in the congregation. Because both the deacon's family and the bishop's family were involved, a committee of ministers was called in to restore peace. The author of the rhymes was required to confess a fault. The fault in this instance was "misusing her God-given talents for an unworthy purpose."

When one of the numerous investigating committees of ministers from Lancaster and Mifflin counties appeared in Lewisburg one day on their way to the Amish settlement, one of the young men of the congregation exclaimed, "Do komme die wider helfe Druvvel zu mache." Some one not a member of the congregation, overheard his words and thinking it was a good joke reported his words. The matter came to the ears of certain members who at once demanded that he be disciplined. This offense—"calling a fellow church member names"—was too serious to be attoned for by confessing a fault. He was set back from communion.

Confessions were required to be made in prescribed form and manner. The offender rose before the congregation assembled in executive session, and, first, made a humble acknowledgment of wrongdoing; second, pleaded meekly for forgiveness; and, third, gave a solemn promise to walk more circumspectly in the future.

Unfortunately disciplinary problems were often left until near the time for the fall or spring communion service. Since the congregation practiced close communion, it was considered necessary that every one coming to the communion table be properly prepared. Communion was possible only in a pure and united church, the body of Christ. Accordingly two weeks before this service the congregation held a preparatory service ("Ordnungs-Gemeinde," pronounced "Artnings-Gma"). At this time every one was asked, individually, three questions. "Do you have peace with God?" "With your fellowmen, so far as possible?" "Do you desire to participate in the communion service?" One of the methods of discipline was to deny such participation to offenders against the church rules or to those who refused to confess a fault for such infraction.

In Union county some church members learned to use this service, not as a means of preparation for the communion service, but as an opportunity for retaliation for real or fancied wrongs. It became all too common for members to refuse to consent to the holding of the communion service unless certain others were denied the privilege of participation. Hence, as the years passed and cases for offense multiplied, the preparatory service degenerated into a fault-finding session with charges and counter charges often of a ridiculously petty nature.

The abuse of this system of cleansing the church and preparing the individual members for the proper observance of the communion service made it extremely difficult to hold such a service at all in Union county. Committees of ministers were called in from other counties from time to time and severe penalties imposed upon those accused of disturbing the peace of the congregation. But such a committee would scarcely leave the scene before trouble had broken out afresh. Most of the difficulty was in the ministry, but the lack of harmony and unity among the ministers spread to the laity. Long before the next preparatory service it would again become evident that hostilities between the factions would be renewed. Floods of tears were shed by pious fathers and mothers, but matters seem to have come to such a pass that no permanent peace could be established. From 1873 to 1880 the congregation succeeded in holding only one of its semi-annual communion services! Dissatisfied or vengeful members who had scores to even up at the time of each recurring preparatory service brought so many charges that it was impossible to prepare the congregation for a communion service to be held according to Amish standards—a pure, united church.

The third and most drastic method of discipline was excommunication. This was mandatory for open violation of the moral law. No attempt was made to shield offenders or to whitewash their offense. On one occasion two young men and two young women were convicted of immorality and publicly excommunicated at once. On such occasions excommunication took place in the presence of the entire congregation with visitors and children present. Offenders were always tried in a secret session of the congregation, however, to avoid unnecessary publicity.

The excommunication of members was an awful anda solemn procedure. The members to be expelled had been notified in advance and were absent. An air of tenseness filled the house. Sad-faced women wept quietly; stern men sat with faces drawn. The bishop arose; with trembling voice and with tears on his cheek he announced that the guilty parties had confessed their sin, that they were cast off from the fellowship of the church and committed to the devil and all his angels ("dem Teufel und allen seinen Engeln uebergeben"). He coutioned all the members to exercise "shunning" rigorously.

Excommunication had for one of its objects, however, the reclamation of the erring member by showing him his real condition and thus leading him to repentance and reformation, ("Busz and Besserung"). As soon as the transgressing member was expelled, no faithful member would eat with him. To impress the excommunicated member with the seriousness of his condition, members were forbidden under pain of excommunication to receive any help from him. They were required to show him every possible kindness but could receive no favors in return. In a very real sense he was an outcast, rejected of God and man. His only hope was not to die before he should be reinstated, lest he should be an outcast also in the world to come. Such extreme punishment was meted out only for infractions of the moral law, or for stubborn and continued refusal to submit to milder forms of correction for minor offenses. For these latter a public confession might suffice.

(Editor's note: Parts of this text which refer to Amish customs in general and are not pertinent to Union County history have been omitted. S. F.)

From THE GENEALOGICAL HISTORY OF THE STOLTZFUS FAMILY IN AMERICA 1717 TO 1972

Compiler – Wilmer D. Swope

Deacon Christian Stoltzfus of Buffalo Valley, Union County, Pennsylvania

Christian Stoltzfus of Leacock Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania accompanied his father-in-law Samuel Lantz of near Mascot in Leacock Township, and Lantz's four son-in-laws to Union County, Pennsylvania about 1837, where they founded an Amish Mennonite settlement.

Samuel Lantz purchased 113 acres in East Buffalo Township, April 5, 1837. Christian Stoltzfus purchased 155 acres in Kelly Township, April 2, 1837 for 6,600 dollars in cash.

The sons-in-law of Samuel Lantz were: Christian Stoltzfus married to Susana Lantz, Samuel Glick married to Barbara Lantz, David Glick married to Magdalena Lantz, Isaac Walker married to Catherine Lantz, Elias Riehl (bishop) married to Fannie Lantz, and Joel Riehl married to Anna Lantz. Samuel Lantz and wife are interred in the Lantz cemetery in Union County.

Deacon Christian Stoltzfus numbered many Amish bishops, preachers and deacons among his relatives. Both of his grandparents were bishops, Christian Stoltzfus son of nicholas the pioneer, and John Plank (Hannes Blank). A relative married Michael Swartz an Amish Bishop-deacon. Deacon Christian's sister Barbara married Michael Lapp, an Amish deacon, his brother, John Stoltzfus was an Amish Mennonite bishop, one of the founders of the Concord Tennessee Amish Mennonite settlement, and his brother Jacob was an Amish minister. Two of deacon Christian's son-in-laws were ordained to the ministry. The husband of the deacon's eldest daughter Mary was Christian King of Leacock Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, was a minister and was ordained bishop in Lancaster County after his return to Lancaster County from Union County. The other son-in-law was David Stoltzfus, husband of Lizzie, the deacon's second daughter by his first marriage. Two of his sons by his second marriage, Bishop Eli B. Stoltzfus, Aurora, Ohio and preacher Ben B. Stoltzfus, Lima, Ohio were ordained to the ministry near West Liberty, Ohio. A grandson, Ammon E. Stoltzfus, Wellman, Iowa was ordained to the ministry at Selden, Kansas.

Christian Stoltzfus was ordained deacon in 1831, and served the Amish Mennonite Church in Union County, Pennsylvania until his death in 1883. His testimonies to the sermons in the Amish Mennonite Church services in Union County are remembered not only for their mild peaceful tone but also for their length. One former resident recalls that Christian generally used all of his share of the time and then some. He seems to have forbidden certain Sunday diversions to his boys more out of deference to the opinion of his German Evangelical neighbors. His boys were forbidden to crack hickory nuts, because he did not want the Evangelicals to hear pounding in his workshop on Sunday. The deacon's boys were allowed to fish and gather Chestnuts on Sunday, provided they did not disturb the Sunday quiet. He considered it obligatory for a Christian to vote for President of the United States, but he never took part in other elections.

Deacon Christian Stoltzfus had with all of his geniality, hospitality, neighborliness, and practical piety much of the dislike for newness and change, much of the conservative spirit that has come to be associated with the name Stoltzfus. His children and neighbors speaking of him praised his sound judgement, his generous kindly spirit.

Near Bishop Elias Riehl lived the widow Catherine Headings Esh of Abraham Esh, with the last two of her beautiful and popular daughters. One of them, Mary became the wife of John A Umble of Gap, Lancasrer County, Pennsylvania. The other daughter Lydia married Jonathan, youngest son of deacon Christian Stoltzfus by his first marriage. Lydia Esh Stoltzfus was the mother of preacher Ammon E. Stoltzfus, Wood River, Nebraska, and Wellman, Iowa.

FOOTNOTE: Material compiled from Mennonite Quarterly Review, from article "The Amish Mennonites of Union County, Pennsylvania" by John Umble, Issues: April 1933 pages 71 to 96 and July 1933 pages 162 to 190. Wilmer Swope

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The Kanagy Family

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of Montbeliard. In the heading of this table he states that several of these are from Calvinist members. If our Gnagi family is among those several is not clear but due to the reason that they hardly appear on our records before this date it opens a question on their origin. But the table does clearly list the Gnagi family coming to Montbeliard in 1723. It fails to give their origin or passage, however, on page 64 of the same book, we find another list of the same year on which we find Hans Gnagi. This list produces names of leasers of land, and now since the duke, Leopold–Eberhard, died, a new local government forbade the Anabaptists to lease land located in the property of the heirs of the late duke. Others among this list are Hans Zimmerman, Jacob Eicher, Ulrich Frey, Hans Schurch, Michael Miller, and others. This Hans Gnagi cannot be our pioneer, however, it is probable that he was a close relative or a forebearer. According to Gnagi family histories, our Hans was born in 1720 so it is quite likely that he was born in Switzerland.

The Gnagi Family in America

Hans Gnagi came to Philadelphia on ship "Francis and Elizabeth" on Sept. 21, 1742 with quite a number of Amish shipmates. He came with his wife and at least one child to their new home in Penn's Woods. His first landgrant was purchased in Bern Township, Berks County about midway between the present towns of Shartlesville and Hamburg just north of the old Harrisburg Pike. On this tract is an old house of which one part has been preserved, and, we suspect, the old end was built by the Gnagis. This 147 acre tract was granted jointly to Hans Gnagi and Christian Beiler Sr. in 1747. This warrant was held in both hands and their heirs until 1810, then it was sold and patented to Valentine Kauffman. It is very likely that the above named men were married to Yoder sisters. Shortly after the close of the French and Indian War the Northkill congregation began to disband. Hans Gnagi chose the new Hanover, or sometimes called Swatara, settlement. In 1767 he purchased a new landgrant which was surveyed unto him two hundred acres in Bethel Township, Lancaster County, now Lebanon County. Here he remained as a farmer and miller until his death in 1772. We have no record of his death other then his will. The nature of his will is typical of a middle-aged man, no mention of his physical condition or state of mind is made or any instructions to the interment of his body are given, which, in general, gives us a hint that death may have come by accident. It is believed that Hans Gnagi is buried in a homestead plot grave.

In this little Swatara valley the widow and most of the family remained until near the end of the century. At least four sons were taxable in Bethel Township in 1785. Before the close of the century they all had warrants or patents to tracts in this valley or nearby. John Jr. operated the mill, Ulrich Jost and Jacob may also have had interest in the mill, and each one had a landgrant. An adjoining tract was granted to John Sr. in right of David Fisher. This term of land purchase generally indicates a relative. If he was married to a daughter of David Fisher is not known today.

Gnagi Family Records

Two Gnagi–Kanagy family histories have been published, of two different sons of our common ancestor, a larger one by Elias Gnagy of Meyersdale, Pennsylvania in 1897 and a second edition by Noah Wengard of the same address in 1973. This one follows the line of Christian, the eldest son of Hans. The other one, by Ezra Kanagy of Belleville, Pa., in 1964, follows the family line of Jacob Kanagy, one of the youngest sons of Hans Gnagi. Both books are well compiled and of extensive studies, however, none of them mention Hans Gnagi as the family head. The Jacob Kanagy book does name a family head, Joseph Kanagy, whose children are identical to our Hans' children, which we feel certain is the same family. The Mennonite Cyclopedic Dictionary, by Daniel Kauffman, also puts Joseph Kanagy at the head of the same children as of our Hans Gnagi. We do not place incident to reason of error or misjudgement. Since it was a strong Swiss tradition for a family head to have two names, such as John Joseph or John Jacob, we assume our Hans had two names. Hans was always used in legal terms but in more common terms he may have been named Joseph. This name may have applied to family records, which is usually the source of family history books. The very same thing has happened to a Miller family head in Berks Co., Pa., we do not believe these are mistakes but more likely a tradition of the time. Although two given names were not frequently used by our pioneer ancestors they did exist. In the new colonies in America there were less duplicate names in one area and less need for two names. On the other hand, the nobles and men of prominent ranks used this method, and our church may have ruled out this method as a mode of the world.

The Hans Gnagi will does not mention many of the children. He does however mention a son Christian by his first wife. This Christian fits perfectly to the Gnaegi family history number one. He was born in Europe, although we may differ a little on dates. We do not know the name of his mother and we cannot as yet arrange the children in specific order to their respective mother. The second wife of Hans was Magdalena, and very likely a Yoder, as he names a brother-in-law, Christian Yoder, as an executor to his will.

Children

Christian died in Somerset County, Pennsylvania. For more information see the Gnaegi book, available from Noah Wengard, Rt. 2, Meyersdale, Pa.

John Jr. was married to Dorothy . According to a Lebanon County deed in book L, page 768, the homestead of 200 acres with the mill rights was conveyed unto John Jr. by the executors of the late Hans Gnagi in 1784. He held the title to this tract until 1813, then it was sold to Christian Oberholtzer. In 1835 it was sold to Henry Seidel, the noted ironmaster, including a furnace dam and sawmill. However it is evident that John Jr. lived in Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County as early as 1779, as he was an executor of the Johannes Lantz estate then. He was taxable in Bethel Township, Lancaster County (now Lebanon), as late as 1785. John Jr. was a farmer and millwright, and was exceptionally industrious. Besides the property in Bethel Township and the one he lived on in Caernarvon Township, he held a deed to a tract in Salisbury Township, Lancaster County in 1795, and another Lancaster County deed (book T - 3, page 658) says that John Kenegy of Leacock Township had a farm there in 1806. We do not know where he lived last or where he died and little is known of his family.

Ulrich was married to Mary . She died in Strasburg Twp., Lancaster Co., Pa. in 1804. He soon married again, to Elizabeth whose maiden name we do not know, but his brother-in-law, Henry Greiss, was the executor to Ulrich's will. Ulrich Kenegy was taxable in Bethel Township, Dauphin County (now Lebanon) as late as 1785. Later he owned property in the Maiden Creek section of Berks County. By 1803 he owned a vast tract of prime land in Strasburg Township on the south banks of the Pequea Creek adjoining Christian Beiler Jr. and others (see page 167 of the 1974 Diary). His son John inherited the farm in 1806. He was also a farmer and miller by trade. Not much is known of his descendants, although his will lists three boys—namely, John, Henry, and David. Ulrich died in Strasburg Township in 1820. Jost was married to Ann, last name unknown. He was also taxable in Bethel Township in 1785, and inherited a share of his father's property. We do not know where or when he died. He also had an interest in the mill operation. Joseph is mentioned in the "Kanagy Family History," by Ezra Kanagy, Belleville, Pa. We have no more records of him.

Jacob married Magdalena Yoder. The John and Anna Yoder bible in possession of Benjamin Yoder, Centerport, Pa., has a neat list of the whole family. Magdalena was born Aug. 2, 1771. This is without doubt the wife of Jacob. He also had a property in the Little Swatara Valley, and in 1810 it was sold to Jacob Fisher, possibly a nephew. We suppose he moved to the Mifflin County section then, and he is the forebearer of Kanagys in Mifflin and Juniata Counties today.

The daughters of Hans Knagi may not all be known, but we have a record of three. The "Mast Family History" mentions that Daniel Miller, legally known as Christian Miller of Shillington, Pa., was first married to a Miss Gnagi. This is no doubt a daughter of Hans, and there are no children to this union.

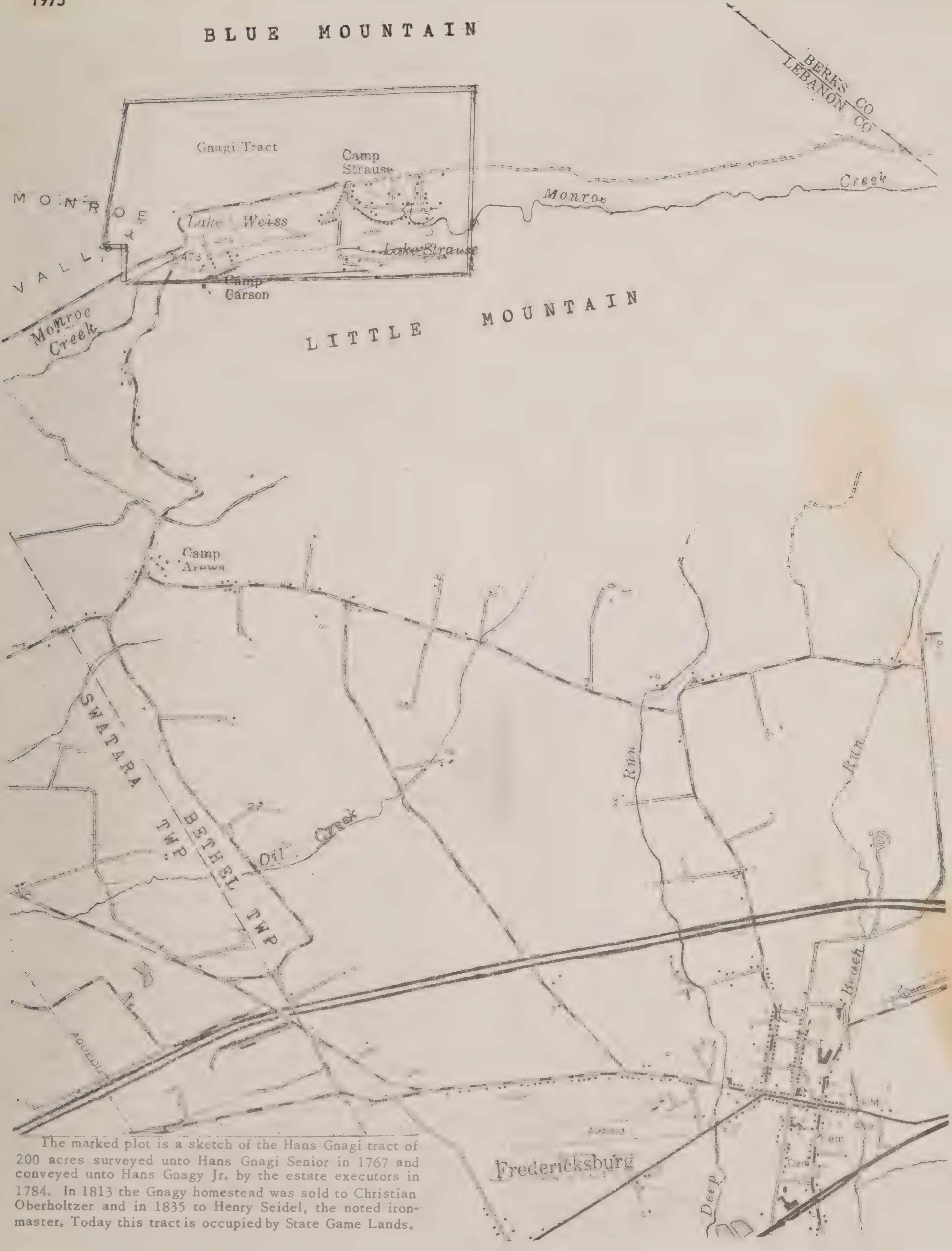
Barbara Gnagi was married to John Zug of the Chester Valley. He was born in 1748. She was his first wife, and is probably buried in the Chester Valley graveyard.

In another family record, by Miss Rebecca Zook of New Holland, Pa., the above daughter is also listed as the first wife of John Zug, who was captured by the Indians for a time and escaped. This incident took place in Berks County, Pennsylvania. His father, Moritz, lived in now Center Township, Berks County on the west banks of the Schuylkill, between Hamburg and Centerport. John and Barbara had ten children. The sons were John, married to Sara Weidman; Bishop "Long" Christian, married to Mattie Hertzler; Pre. Abraham, married to Barbara Yoder; Joseph, married to Mattie Yoder; Jacob, married to Annie Yoder; David, married to Barbara King. Shem Zook was born to the second wife of John. The daughters are Gertrude, married to Peter Sharp; one died in infancy and another one was killed in an accident. This family nearly all resided in the Big Valley.

Gertrude Gnagy was married to Jacob Zook, also lived and died in the Chester Valley. Their family may appear in a later issue of The Diary.

All in all our Gnagi family leaves a noteworthy imprint in our society today. The shock of migrating across the sea in the eighteenth century mode of voyage has shattered some families. Apparently the Knagis have encountered this well, as well as the struggle and strife of pioneering. Our progenitor was naturalized to Pennsylvania in 1761, and it is evident that he was a law-abiding and respected citizen. He died before the Revolution, while his sons, who were of age to enter the militia, paid their fines respectfully. Over the years members of our Gnagi family have demonstrated and maintained some rich Swiss elements which our ancestor Gnagi has captured from the beautiful valleys in the Alps.

Joseph F. Beiler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The marked plot is a sketch of the Hans Gnagi tract of 200 acres surveyed unto Hans Gnagi Senior in 1767 and conveyed unto Hans Gnagy Jr. by the estate executors in 1784. In 1813 the Gnagy homestead was sold to Christian Oberholtzer and in 1835 to Henry Seidel, the noted ironmaster. Today this tract is occupied by State Game Lands.

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

The Kanagy Family

This family name does not appear so frequently as most other names in Old Order communities, in fact it does not appear at all in the five largest settlements today and in some sections it may be seldom heard of. Nevertheless it does bear a significant yield in many of our smaller communities in America. The three major western directories do not list any Kanagys and the same holds good for the eastern directory of Lancaster and Chester Counties of Pennsylvania. Raber's ministers lists gives us three ordained men, all in Mifflin Co., Pa., where by far the most Kanagy families will be found. In surrounding settlements of Juniata Co., Pa., as well as in Somerset Co., Pa., Maryland, Virginia, and Kentucky, there are families to be found by this name.

By far the greatest bulk of our families bearing Kanagy blood apring from maternal lines. In fact we can well estimate that from 50 to 75 per cent of all our families east of the Susquehanna inherit the noteworthy talents of our Kanagy (Gnagi) ancestor. In Mifflin Co., Pa. and vicinity the families could well be rare that do not descend from our ancestor, Hans Gnegi, through his daughters Gertrude and Magdalena, both married to sons of Moritz Zook.

Many of our western settlements, including the larger ones, consist of this Gnagi kin, although proportioned in a lesser extent, but branched out in a uniform manner through maternal lines by names of Beachey, Bender, Brenneman, Gerber, Helmuth, Hershberger, Hochstedler, Miller, Mishler, Schmucker, Schrack, Schlabach, Swartzentruber, Weaver, and Yoder. These lines descend from Christian Gnagi who moved to Somerset County early and died there.

The Mennonite body, including Beachy Amish and conservative groups, have perhaps consumed a large part of our Gnagi or Kanagy kin, especially the paternal lines. According to the Mennonite Encyclopedia, Vol. III, page 143, the Amish Mennonite Kanagys have pushed west early. They are found today in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Iowa, Missouri, Colorada, Oregon, and other states. We assume that Canada is not excluded. The writer of this encyclopedia paragraph seems to include more than one family head, although he does not clearly say so, but today we know they all had one common ancestor, Hans Gnagi.

The Kanagys are known to possess a noteworthy charactor—they are aggressive, and generally successful in their undertaking. From the beginning this family was more industrious than their average fellow men. Our progenitor was a farmer, and there is evidence that he built a dam on the Little Swatara Creek and operated a mill. At least three of his sons were millwrights and these included more than one kind of operation. We have records of a grist mill, a sawmill, and in later years the dam was enlarged to operate a casting forge and furnace. In 1835 the home plantation of two hundred acres including the mill industry was sold to Henry Seidel, a noted ironmaster of Lebanon County.

Family Name Spellings

Like many other Swiss families the Kanagys encountered many family name spellings. The European spelling was Gnagi or Gnagy almost without exceptions. Our progenitor signed his name as Johanes Gnage according to list 94B in the Strassburger - Hinke pioneer lists, and his will was also signed Hanes Gnage. So it is clear that the name had not changed after the family resided in three different countries. Not until the second generation lived in America did the various spellings take form. The Mennonite Encyclopedia lists seven spellings: Kanagy, Kenagy, Kenege, Gnaege, Gnaegi, Gnagy, Gnagey, and Genegy. We are familiar with them all and we believe they all spring from one family head. At least one more spelling could be added—a Lancaster County, Pennsylvania court documant writes it so near to Kennedy that the former has been mistaken for the latter in at least one instance.

The Gnagis in Europe

The name Gnagi does not seem to appear at all in the early Anabaptist field. Perhaps this is an indication that they have not joined Mennonite ranks until the eighteenth century. We have no means to even suggest the origin of this name since we have very limited information on the family in Europe. The foremost European Anabaptist history writers, such as Ernst Miller and S. H. Geiser, do not mention the family. However, the French Anabaptist historians, Charles Mathiot and Roger Boigeol in their French history, give a few very interesting accounts of the Gnagi family. On page 280 of "Recherches Historiques sur less Anabaptists" is a table of principle Anabaptist families entering the principality

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YOUTH KILLED IN TRACTOR ACCIDENT

Melvin, 19, son of Bishop Noah N. Detweilers of Geauga County, Ohio, was killed instantly when he was pinned under a tractor while working for his uncle, John Shetler Jr. He was hauling slabs with a tractor and hay wagon. The load was too large and he must have lost control and ran into a milk stand beside the road. The tire blew out and the tractor overturned, pinning him underneath. (See obituary)

PIKE COUNTY, MO. ACCIDENTS

Wilma, age8, daughter of Paul Eicher of Curryville R2, had an accident Friday, June 20, while she and her father were mowing weeds in the barn yard. Wilma stepped over the mower bar to remove something and the team moved forward far enough for the mower bar to strike her left leg, cutting her foot almost off above the ankle. She was rushed to Columbia Medical Center by ambulance, where her foot was amputated. The other foot was also cut but not severely. By last reports she was gaining as well as can be expected, and they were teaching her to walk with crutches.

Carolyn, 3-year-old daughter of Eli Yoders Jr. of Bowling Green R3, had a mishap June 26th at the wedding at Jake Eichers. She wandered upstairs with other children and came to a window which was unhooked. In some way she overbalanced and fell out, landing on her hands and face on the ground. Xrays showed two fractured arms, which were put in casts to the elbow. She also had a sore nose and a few scratches. They brought her home from the hospital on Saturday and along to church the next day.

CASHTON, WISCONSIN ACCIDENT

Melvin J. Hershberger fell from a scaffold while working on Levi W. Millers' house June 3rd. He broke both bones in his right leg and cracked a bone in his left ankle. He was at the Lutheran Hospital in LaCrosse for two weeks.

LANCASTER CO., PA. ACCIDENTS

Mark S. Stoltzfus, of Morgantown R1, had a mishap Saturday, May 31st, while driving two horses hitched to a cart which he had used to take a corn planter to Dannie Kings. On his way home while going in their lane he couldn't control the horses anymore and when they were almost at the milk house he jumped off. When the cart hit the cement block it jumped and the wheel hit Mark's foot, breaking his ankle. The horses ran on, tore the tongue from the cart, and ran through the meadow fence. Mark went to the hospital, had a walking cast put on, and was sent home again. He was to stay off of it till Tuesday.

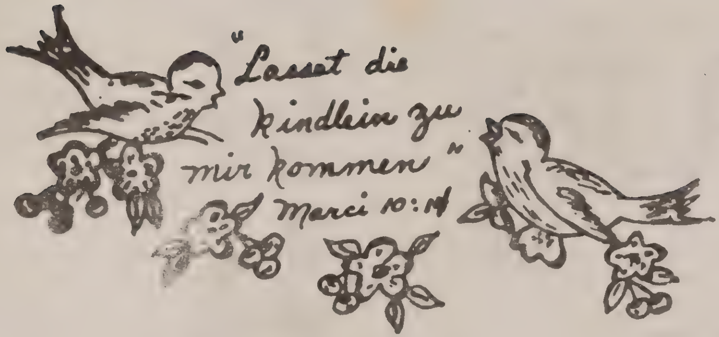
Israel S. Yoder, 28, husband of Elizabeth (Blank) of New Holland R2, had an accident Monday, June 9, when he was pinched between the corn planter and the barn while running to try and stop his horses. He was taken to the hospital and operated on for internal injuries. He was in serious condition, and three weeks later was still in Lancaster General Hospital, taking only liquids and had quite a bit of pain.

JAMESPORT MO. MAN KICKED BY HORSE

Levi J. Yoder, 57, was kicked by a horse on June 10th. He had been out raking hay and had come in with team and tied them to a hitching post. Nobody saw what happened but his two boys found him lying behind the horses unconscious. He was taken to Kirksville Hospital with a serious skull fracture and brain concussion. They set the broken pieces of bone and wired them to keep in place. He was semiconscious for several days, but improved enough that he came home after ten days. He seems to be improving well, except his one eye is giving him much pain, and may be damaged beyond repair.

OHIO GIRL HURT BY HORSE

Betty, 3-year-old daughter of Mike J. Millers, was run over by a horse June 4th. She was hospitalized six days and required a lot of stitches on the side of her abdoman.



BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Amos (Susan King) 2116 Pequea Lane Lancaster, a daughter LIZZIE, June 3

BEILER, Daniel (Lillian Beiler) Quarryville R3 a son STEVEN J., June 22

BEILER, John (Rebecca King) 106 Horseshoe Rd. Leola, a son JOHN, June 8

BEILER, Levi (Rachel Stoltzfus) Quarryville R3 a son SAMUEL, June 26

ESH, Benjamin P.(Lydia Lapp) 2471 Horseshoe Rd. Lancaster, a daughter SADIE, June 12

ESH, Elmer (Anna Smucker) Gap R1 a son AMOS JAY, June 11

ESH, Melvin (Naomi Miller) Smoketown a son JOHN M., June 27

FISHER, John M., (Katie King) Quarryville R2 a daughter MIMA K., June 25

FISHER, Omar S.(Rebecca Esh) 3434 Newport Rd. Ronks, a daughter LIZZIE, June 21

GLICK, Amos K..(Lizzie Fisher) Quarryville R3 a daughter ESTHER F., June 20

GLICK, Stephen R..(Rachel Beiler) Leola R1 a son JOSEPH B., June 29

KING, Bennie (Mary Zook) New Holland R1 a son IVAN, June 29

KING, Jesse (Naomi Stoltzfus) New Holland R2 a daughter ELIZABETH ANN, June 6

KING, Jonathan G..(Sarah Glick) Witmer a son JONATHAN G., JR., April 4

KING, Levi S..(Rebecca Smoker) Gordonville R1 a son LEON, June 5

LAPP, John K..(Fannie Fisher) Christiana R1 a daughter MARY, June 7

LAPP, Phares (Hannah Riehl) 3004 Old Phila.Pike Ronks R1, a daughter LORRAINE, June 1

MILLER, Elmer (Hannah Stoltzfus) W..Eby Rd.Bird-in-Hand R1, a son JOHN JACOB, June 27

MILLER, Jacob (Sarah Fisher) Quarryville R3 a daughter LEAH F., June 23

RIEHL, Ephraim (Malinda Stoltzfus) Kinzer R1 a daughter ARIE ANN, June 24

RIEHL, Henry (Susie Beiler) Bird-in-Hand R1 a son IVAN B., June 22

STOLTZFUS, Daniel L..(Dorothy Beiler) New Holland R1, a son DANIEL, JR., May 17

STOLTZFUS, David (Elizabeth Lapp) Gap R1 a daughter REBECCA, June 14

STOLTZFUS, Elam (Arie Stoltzfus) Box 115, Gap R1 a daughter EMMA M.,June 19

STOLTZFUS, Emanuel (Malinda Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1, a daughter LENA S., June 19

STOLTZFUS, Ephraim (Barbara Lapp) Gap R1 a daughter SUSIE ANN, June 29

STOLTZFUS, Jacob (Nancy Miller) Christiana R1 a son ELI M., June 19

STOLTZFUS, John B.(Lydia Glick) Christiana R1 a daughter RUTH G., June 6

STOLTZFUS, John E.(Edna Stoltzfus) Gap R1 a daughter SADIE S., June 24

STOLTZFUS, Joseph (Mary R..Beiler) Christiana R1 a daughter KATIE B., June 6

STOLTZFUS, Samuel J., JR.(Mary Fisher) Honey Brook R2, a daughter BARBARA, June 1

STOLTZFUS, Stephen S.(Malinda Stoltzfus) Brick Church Rd, Leola R1, a daughter LINDA, June 20

STOLTZFUS, Steven K..(Anna Stoltzfus) Narvon R2 a son JOHN L., June 1

ZOOK, Daniel B..(Mary Fisher) Quarryville R3 a daughter MARY F., June 13

Dover, Delaware

MILLER, Alvin J..(Barbara Sue Byler) Hartly R1 a daughter RACHEL, June 6

MILLER, John H..(Esther Byler) Wyoming R1 a daughter SUSANNA, June 26

TROYER, John S.(Miriam Coblentz) Hartly R1 a daughter RUTH, May 31

St. Mary's County, Maryland

STOLTZFUS, Amos S..(Rebecca Yoder) Mechanicsville, a son JOHN, June 4

STOLTZFUS, Dan U..(Nancy Yoder) Mechanicsville a daughter SARAH, June 12

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

LANTZ, Aaron (Mary Peachey) Myerstown R2 a son OMAR, June 11

PEACHEY, Benjamin (Leah Lapp) Myerstown R2 a son MENNO, June 11

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Union County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Jacob E. (Hannah Stoltzfus) P.O. Box 119
Vicksburg, a son ERVIN LEE, July 1

Snyder County, Pennsylvania

TROYER, Eli D..(Mary Troyer)
a daughter FANNIE, June 27

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Daniel (Bertha Byler) Mill Creek
a son DANIEL, May 29
PEACHEY, David (Mary Peachey) Allensville
a son DANIEL, June 7
YODER, Jonas (Lydia Swarey) Belleville
a son JONATHAN, June 13

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

PETERSHEIM, John T..(Mary Peachey) Mifflintown R2
a daughter MALINDA, June 18

Franklin County, Pennsylvania

KAUFFMAN, Roman (Mary Troyer) Orrstown R1
a daughter DORA, June 10
STOLTZFUS, Daniel (Mary Zook) Newburg R1
a daughter SARAH, June 6

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

KINSINGER, Ben J.(Emma Beachy) Meyersdale R1
a son ELMER, June 29
MAST, Enos (Elizabeth Hostetler) Grantsville R1, Md.
a daughter ADA, June 23
YODER, Jacob M..(Annie Kinsinger) Grantsville R1
a daughter SARAH, June 25

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Manas B..(Celesta Mullet)
a son WILLIAM, June 19
MILLER, Jonas A..(Barbara Byler)
a daughter ELIZABETH, June 27
MILLER, Mahlon M.(Martha Mullet)
a daughter ESTHER, June 30
RABER, Robert A.(Esther Mullet)
a daughter AMELIA, June 5

Holmes County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Junior E..(Edna Yoder)
a daughter GERTIE, June 8
MILLER, Alvin A.(Effie Yoder) Dundee R1
a son TIMOTHY, June 8
MILLER, David A.(Marie Miller) Millersburg R5
a daughter ANNA MAE, June 13
MILLER, John L..(Edna Yoder) Baltic R1
a daughter, May 28
MILLER, Mose B..(Mattie Yoder) Millersburg R3
a son ERWIN
MILLER, Ray R..(Mattie Kauffman) Millersburg R4
twins BETTY & BARBARA, June 19
STUTZMAN, Leroy E..(Verna Borntrager)
a son DANIEL, June 11
WEAVER, Nelson B..(Fannie Troyer) Dundee R2
a son EDWIN, June 19
YODER, Eli D..(Anna Raber) Millersburg R4
twins ESTHER & LESTER, June 1
YODER, Eli M.and wife, Millersburg R5
a son on June 14
YODER, Jonas N..(Betty Kurtz) Baltic R1
a daughter MARLENE, June 10

Wayne County, Ohio

MILLER, Mose Jr..(Susie Mast) Fredericksburg R2
a daughter RUTH, June 1
TROYER, John D..(Esther Yoder) Fredericksburg R2
a son JOHN, JR., May
WEAVER, John S.(Ella Yoder)
a daughter, June 29
WEAVER, Levi B..(Susie Troyer) Fredricksburg R2
a son LEROY, May
YODER, Eli D..(Ada Mae Troyer) Fredericksburg R2
a daughter BARBARA, June 12
YODER, Uriah .(Sevilla Miller) Dundee R1
a son DAVID, May 31

Utica, Ohio

GARBER, Galen (Ruth Ann Miller) Utica R1
a daughter JULIANNE, May 3

Ashland County, Ohio

MAST, Levi (Alma Schmucker) Ashland R1
a son HARVEY, June 15
RABER, Noah (Anna Garber) Shiloh
a son RAYMOND, June 9
SCHWARTZ, Noah (Mattie Raber) Wells Road, Ashland
a daughter FANNIE, June 10

Centreville, Michigan

BORKHOLDER, Marvin (Mary Yoder) Centreville R1
a son TIMOTHY, June 28
MILLER, Amos (Lydia Bontrager) Centreville R1
a daughter LYDIA MAE, June 7
MILLER, Edward (Ann Borkholder) Centreville R1
a son, May 20
YODER, Ben (Alice Gingerich) Colon
a daughter CAROL JUNE, May 19

Bronson, Michigan

TROYER, John (Mary Mast) Bronson
a daughter ESTHER, June 18

Branch County, Michigan

ZOOK, Aaron (Mary Schwartz)
a son JOSEPH, June 28

Steuben County, Indiana

BORNTREGER, Amos (Emma Schwartz)
a daughter MARY, June 24
BORNTREGER, Ben (Annie Schwartz)
a son NOAH, June 4
BORNTREGER, Noah (Clara Borntreger)
a daughter ELIZABETH, May 1
WAGLER, David (Mary Schwartz)
a son HENRY, June 10

Allen County, Indiana

EICHER, Reuben (Amy Schmucker)
a daughter LINDA KAY, June 17
EICHER, Samuel Jr. (Barbara Rose Steury)
a son MATTHEW, June 24
GRABER, Emanuel (Anna Schmucker)
a son STEVEN, June 23
MILLER, Samuel (Martha Lengacher)
a son NOAH, June 17
SCHMUCKER, David Jr. (Anna Mae Lengacher)
a son LEROY, May 13

Adams County, Indiana

HILTY, Jacob J. (Lovina J. Graber) Geneva R2
a son JAKE, June 12
HILTY, Roman L. (Flossie Eicher) Berne R1
a son ARLEN, June 10
SCHWARTZ, Amos E. (Mary Ann M. Schwartz) Berne R2, a son JAKE, in June
SCHWARTZ, Enos K. (Katie Wickey) Geneva R1
a son JAKE, June 21
SCHWARTZ, Joe K. (Lizzie Wickey) Geneva R1
a son DAVID, June 23
SCHWARTZ, John K. (Anna A. Hilty) Monroe R1
a son ELDON, June 16
SCHWARTZ, John P. (Rachel Graber) Geneva R2
a daughter ADELINE, June 26
WENGERD, John (Rosie L. Wickey) Geneva R1
a son NOAH, June 2

Elkhart County, Indiana

MILLER, Eli (Mabel Schlabach) Goshen R1
a son LARRY, June 4
TROYER, Harry Jay (Mary Ellen Helmuth) Shipshewana R2, a son KEVIN EUGENE, June 16
YODER, Perry F..(Sadie Yoder) Middlebury R3
a son on May 27

LaGrange County, Indiana

BEACHY, Oevi L.(Lorene Yoder) Shipshewana R1
a son LONNIE DEAN, May 30
BONTRAGER, Ammon I..(Clara Lehman)
a daughter EDNA A., June 2
GINGERICH, Ben ,Jr .(Linda Ann Chupp)
a daughter LANA LYNNETTE, June 15
HOCHSTEDLER, Amos O..(Anna Fern Raber) Howe R3
a daughter LEONA SUE, June 7
HOSTETLER, Freeman (Darla Mae Miller) Topeka R2, a son STEVEN RAY, May 28
LAMBRIGHT, Cletus (Lorene Schlabach) Topeka R1
a son EARL DEAN, May 31
LAMBRIGHT, Orlie (Mary Yoder) Topeka R1
a son OMAR O., June 14
MILLER, Floyd (Katie Irene Schmucker) Topeka R2
a daughter MARILYN KAY, June 13
NISLEY, John (Barbara Ellen Miller) LaGrange R1
a daughter LORENE, June 8
RIEHL, Elam (Lydia Fry) LaGrange R4
a daughter CAROLYN EL, June 15
SCHROCK, Urias (Mary Beachy) LaGrange R4
a son VERNON U., May 26
TROYER, Levi (Anna Viola Miller) Middlebury R3
a son CHRISTY JAY, May 22
WENGERD, Moses (Anna Borkholder) LaGrange R1
a son SAMUEL M., June 19
WICKEY, Corneal (Lena Schrock) LaGrange R1
a son PHILIP, June 12
WINGARD, Ferman (Barbara Miller) Shipshewana R2
a daughter LORETTA, May 25
YODER, Orla (Carolyn Yoder) Topeka R1
a daughter LEAH FERN, May 25

Guthrie, Kentucky

BYLER, Dan (Betty Kauffman)
a daughter SUSAN MARIE, June 19

Arthur, Illinois

BEACHEY, Lloyd (Anna R. Otto)
a son LEVI, June 13
CHUPP, Elva (Bertha Lorene Kaufman)
a son KENNETH, in June
MILLER, Harley (Martha Ann Gingerich)
a son, June 17
OTTO, Erven (Millie Plank)
a daughter, June 24
PLANK, Wilmer (Lovina Yoder)
a son LAMAR, in June
YODER, Sylvian (Katie Ann Yoder)
a daughter JOEANNA KAY, May 29

Garnett, Kansas

KEIM, Floyd (Lorene Yoder) Garnett
a daughter FRIEDA ANN, May 27
MILLER, Andy (Susan Yoder) Garnett
a son KENNETH WAYNE, May 8
YODER, Clarence J..A..(Feva Bender) Welda
a son AARON GAYLE, May 13
YODER, Harley C. (Ruthann Miller) Garnett R.R.
a son AMOS DEVON, June 8

Webster County (Seymour area), Missouri

SCHWARTZ, Jacob G. (Fanny P. Schwartz)
a daughter PRISCILLA, June 6
SCHWARTZ, Petie W. (Marie Zook)
a son PETIE, June 9

Jamesport, Missouri

MAST, ALvin, Jr. (Emma Mae Yoder)
a son JOHNNIE RAY, June 11
MILLER, John, Jt .(Elizabeth Mast)
a daughter ELIZABETH ANN, June 11
STUTZMAN, Atlee (Ida Detweiler)
a sdaughter ERMA, June 20

Johnson County, Iowa

YODER, Vernon (Inez Kauffman)
a son NORMAN EUGENE, June 24

Bloomfield, Iowa

YODER, Lloyd (Mary Gingerich)
a son LeROY, June 15

Buchanan County, Iowa

YODER, Amos (Lydia Schmucker) Fairbank
a son AMOS, JR., June 3
YODER, David (Ada Shetler) Fairbank
a daughter ALMA, June 12
YUTZY, Harley (Lizziann Shetler) Fairbank
a son RAYMOND, June 19 (Died 3 hours later)

Amherst, Wisconsin

BORNTRAGER, Christ (Lydia Miller)
a daughter MIRIAM, June 6

Cashton, Wisconsin

GINGERICH, Amos U. (Ella Miller)
a son ANDY, June 13
HERSHBERGER, Emanuel (Amanda Kempf)
a son OWEN, June 4
MILLER, Noah A. (Sarah Fisher)
a daughter CLARA, June 2

Medford, Wisconsin
MULLET, Ira (Viola Schrock)
a daughter MARTHA, June 1
OTTO, Jacob (Susan Borntreger)
a son LEVI J., June 27
YODER, Amos (Rebecca Borntrager)
a son PHINEAS A., June 25

Wadena, Minnesota
YODER, Elmer (Martha Bomtreger)
a daughter WILMA, June 1

Milverton, Ontario, Canada
ALBRECHT, Alvin (Barbara Jantzi)
a daughter DARLENE ANN, HJune 21
ALBRECHT, Joe (Nancy Wagler)
a daughter SARAH, May 30
KUEPFER, Ammon (Laura Kuepfer)
a daughter CHARLENE MARIE, June 16
KUEPFER, Reuben (Ruth Albeecht)
a son KENNETH, June 1

Norwich, Ontario, Canada
GINGERICH, Dan E. (Mary Shetler) Norwich R1
a son JOHN, June 25
MILLER, Gideon L. (Ella Shetler) Norwich R1
a daughter MARY, June 4
STUTZMAN, Daniel L. (Annie Miller) Tillsonburg R7
a daughter KATIE, June 21

MARRIAGES

Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Kuhns – Lester, son of Wallie J. Bylers from Atlantic, Pa., to Mary Ellen, daughter of Ervin H. Kuhns, May 5th.

Kauffman, Byler – Melvin, son of John C. Kauffmans, to Esther, daughter of Pre. Dan C. Bylers, June 5th.

Miller, Byler – Dan, son of John D. Millers, to Savanah, daughter of Pre. Neven U. Bylers, June 12th.

Miller, Byler – Dan, son of John S. C. Millers, to Mary Ann, daughter of Joe J. Bylers, June 12th.

Utica, Ohio

Miller, Gingerich – Norman, son of Dan L. and Ketura (Wagler) Miller, Uniontown, Ohio, to Martha, daughter of Sam and Sarah (Yoder) Gingerich, Utica, Ohio, on May 15.

Gingerich, Miller – Enos, son of Sam and Sarah (Yoder) Gingerich, Utica, to Joanna, daughter of Cletus and Esther (Troyer) Miller, Utica, May 29.

Centreville, Michigan

Yoder, Hochstetler – Paul Yoder of Indiana, to Miriam, daughter of the late Alvin Hochstetler and Mary of Mountain View, Missouri, May 29, by Bishop Tobe Schlabach, Nappanee, Indiana.

Miller, Hostetler – Homer Miller of Indiana, to Ella, daughter of Joe and Katie Hostetler, Centreville R1, June 12, by Bishop Calvin Lambright.

Elkhart County, Indiana

Miller, Miller – Calvin, son of Lloyd J. and Anna Mae (Miller) Miller, Shipshewana, to LeEtta, daughter of Rudy J. and Esther (Schlabach) Miller, Middlebury, June 19.

Allen County, Indiana

Graber, Graber – Widower Samuel Graber to Marjorie, daughter of Levi and Edith (Miller) Graber, June 10, by Bishop John Graber.

Schmucker, Delagrange – Alvin, son of Wilbur and Sarah Ann (Eicher) Schmucker, to Esther, daughter of Joseph and Marie (Lengacher) Delagrange, June 12 by Bishop Joseph Delagrange.

Adams County, Indiana

Schwartz, Schwartz – Daniel U., son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan M. J. Schwartz, Berne R2, to Rosie K., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan D. Schwartz, Berne R2, June 5th.

Hilty, Hilty – Ervin R., son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin L. Hilty, Berne R1, to Ruth Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe K. Hilty, New Haven R1, June 12th.

Eicher, Schwartz – Andy R., son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno N. Eicher, Bryant R1, to Delilah B., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christ E. Schwartz, Geneva R2, June 19th.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, Graber – Freeman, son of Ezra and Clara (Miller) Bontrager, to Edna, daughter of Henry and Emma (Miller) Graber, by Bishop Ervin Hochstedler, June 5.

Miller, Hostetler – Homer, son of Jacob J. and Anna (Schrock) Miller, Topeka, Ind., to Ella, daughter of Joe and Katie Hostetler, Centreville, Mich, June 12, by Bishop Calvin Lambright, Topeka, Ind.

Yoder, Miller – Floyd, son of Fred J. and Katie (Helmuth) Yoder, to Laura Ellen, daughter of Enos and Katie (Wingard) Miller, June 26.

Pike County, Missouri

Schwartz, Eicher – Chriss Schwartz, Seymour, to Mary, daughter of Jacob and Katie (Schwartz) Eicher, June 26, by Bishop Jacob Eicher (her father)

Johnson County, Iowa

Weaver, Bontrager – Simon, son of Alvin and Verna (Miller) Weaver, to Barbara, daughter of LeRoy and Marjorie (Slabaugh) Bontrager, June 19, by Bish. Jonas J. Beachy.

Schlabach, Hochstetler – Chris, son of Jacob and Viola (Yoder) Schlabach, to Elizabeth, daughter of Sylvan and Ollie (Gingerich) Hochstetler, June 26, by Bishop Elmer T, Miller.

Wilton, Wisconsin

Miller, Bontrager – Levi, son of Jonas and Catherine (Borntreger) Miller, to Lizzie, daughter of Ben C. and Mary (Yoder) Borntreger, June 12, by Bishop Chris M. Borntreger, age 81.

Milverton, Ontario, Canada

Kuepfer, Jantzi – Lorne, son of Dea. David S. Kuepfer, Millbank R1, to Ruth, daughter of Pre. Harvey Jantzi, June 5, by Bishop Clarence Kuepfer.

Streicher – Kuepfer – Menno, son of the late Reuben Streicher, to Viola, daughter of John and Martha Kuepfer, Millbank R1, June 19, by Bishop Joseph K. Jantzi.

Albrecht, Albrecht – Manuel, son of Pre. Menno Albrecht, to Esther, daughter of Ezra Albrecht, June 26, by Bishop Amos Albrecht.

OBITUARIES

BONTRAGER, John I., 92, of Shipshewana, Indiana

died Friday afternoon, June 13, at LaGrange County Hospital where he had been a patient two weeks. He was born near Shipshewana Feb. 8, 1883 and resided in Elkhart and LaGrange Counties all of his life. He was married Dec. 19, 1907 to Barbara Miller, who preceded him in death March 10, 1972. Surviving are four sons, Perry and Harry, both of Middlebury, Lee of Shipshewana, and Mahlon of Madison, Wis.; five daughters, Mrs. Eli Slabaugh of Nappanee, Mrs. Monroe Detweiler of Centerville, Pa., Mrs. Manass Miller of Middlebury, Mrs. Jonas Hershberger of Shipshewana, and Mrs. Joe Kauffman of Goshen; 36 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; and three half-sisters, Mrs. Susan Miller and Mrs. Mary Wolfe of California and Mrs. Elizabeth Byler of Waynesville, Missouri.

Funeral services were held at 9 a.m. Monday, June 16, at the Alvin Gingerich residence near Shipshewana by Pre. Perry M. Yoder and Bishop David Bontrager. Burial was in East Barren Cemetery.

DETWEILER, Melvin, 19, of Geauga County, Ohio

was instantly killed in a tractor accident, June 3rd. Born May 16, 1956, he was a son of Noah N. and Mattie (Shetler) Detweiler, and died at the age of 19 years and 18 days. Surviving besides his parents are eight sisters and three brothers, Mrs. Rudy D. (Kathryn) Detweiler, Mrs. David D. (Barbara) Miller, Mrs. Crist E. (Ida) Byler, Mrs. Joe W. (Martha) Byler, Mrs. Lester J. (Mary Ann) Byler, Mrs. Daniel J. (Malinda) Hershberger, John of Punxsutawney, Pa., Freeman, Daniel, Susie Ann, and Alma, all at home.

Funeral services were very largely attended, especially by young folks. Preaching was by Crist M. Troyer and Bishop Abe Troyer from Ashland, Ohio, and by Reuben D. Byler from Punxsutawney, Pa. and Bishop Eli Mullet. Burial was in the Mullet Cemetery near Mesopotamia.

GLICK, Infant, Bird-in-Hand, Pa.

son of David E. and Katie R. (Beiler) Glick was stillborn at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital, June 4. Surviving in addition to the parents are a sister, Mary Ann; paternal grandparents, Christ R. and Mary F. (King) Glick, Gap R1; and maternal grandparents, John S. and Mary L. (Riehl) Beiler, Ronks R1.

GLICK, Mrs. Sylvia, 69, Lancaster, Pa.

died at her home, 88 Geist Road, Saturday, June 21, after a long illness of cancer. She was born in Caernarvon Township, a daughter of the late Amos J. and Rebecca (King) Stoltzfus. She is survived by her husband, Amos S. Glick, and these sons and daughters: Barbara, wife of John Blank, Christiana R1; Elizabeth, wife of John Esh, Quarryville R3; Katie, wife of Joseph Lapp, Paradise R1; Isaiah S. Glick, Lancaster; Sylvia, wife of John Beiler, Christiana R1; Naomi, wife of David Miller, Leola; Lydia, wife of John Stoltzfus, Christiana R1; Daniel K. Glick, Lancaster; Ariana, wife of Jacob Fisher, Oxford R2; and Emanuel S. Glick, Lancaster; 65 grandchildren and these brothers and sisters: Fred K. Stoltzfus and Amos K. Stoltzfus, Morgantown R1; Katie, wife of Joe B. Miller, Kalona, Iowa; Isaiah K. Stoltzfus and Lydia, wife of Samuel Smoker, Gordonville R1; Elam K. Stoltzfus and Jonas K. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2.

Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday, June 24, at 9 a.m.; short services in the house by Pre. Daniel Z. Stoltzfus, hymn read by Dea. Elam Esch; services in the barn by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus and Bishop David K. Blank, hymn read by Dea. Daniel M. Glick; burial in Myers Cemetery, hymn read by Pre. Henry S. Stoltzfus; abschied by Pre. Amos U. Glick. Her age was 69 yr., 4 mo., 29 days.

HERSHBERGER, Miss Mary D., 21, Dalton R1, O.

died Sunday morning, June 15, in Doctors Hospital in Massillon due to a heart condition. She was a daughter of Dan J. and Sarah (Swartzentruber) Hershberger. Surviving are her father and stepmother; six sisters, Mrs. Menno P. (Carolina) Yoder of Apple Creek R1, Mrs. Rudy C. (Lizzie) Hershberger of Beach City R1, Mrs. Levi D. (Anna) Miller of Harmony, Minn., Emma, Katie, and Sarah of the home; four brothers, Jacob of Ethridge, Tenn, Eli of Millersburg R5, Abe of Apple Creek R1, and Daniel of the home. She was preceded in death by her mother.

Funeral services were held in the home on June 18 by Bishop Joe Troyer. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery in East Union Township.

HILTY, Joni E. J., 7 weeks, Geneva, Indiana

son of Joni E. and Emma J. (Graber) Hilty died Sunday, June 8, at 3 a.m. at his home from sudden infant syndroime while sleeping. He was born April 19, 1975, and is survived by his parents, and these grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Graber, Geneva R2 and Mrs. Peter Hilty, Berne R1. He is preceded in death by twin brothers, Jonas and Peter, who were killed in an auto-buggy accident on Sept. 17, 1974.

Funeral services were held at the home. Burial was in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

KAUFMAN, Clara, 40, Arthur, Illinois

wife of Felty Kaufman, died June 2 at the age of 40 yr., 10 mo., 9 days. Born July 23, 1934, she was a daughter of Min. Jacob E. and Joanna (Helmuth) Miller; married May 10, 1956; lived in matrimony 19 Yr., 22 days. To this union were born two daughters and eleven sons, the youngest a daughter five weeks old. Clara's mother died when she was 18 months old. Surviving are her husband, two brothers, nine sisters, one uncle, and two aunts.

Funeral services were held at the home June 5th by Min. Isaac Mullet and Noah Miller from northern Indiana. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

KUEPFER, Mrs. Nancy, 66, Linwood R1, Ontario

died June 10 at Listowel Hospital where she had been a patient for several weeks, she had been sick with cancer for about 1½ years. Born in August, 1909, she was a daughter of the late Simon Lebold. She was married to Christian S. Kuepfer who died last October. Surviving are two sons, Elmer and Lloyd, both of Linwood R1; three daughters, Mrs. Aaron (Esther) Zehr, Mrs. Jonas (Laura) Kuepfer, both of Linwood R1, and Mrs. Cornelius (Marie) Kuepfer, Newton R1; three sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Albrecht, Mrs. Amos Albrecht, and Mrs. Rachel Kuepfer; and 31 grandchildren. One daughter and five grandchildren died in infancy.

Funeral services were held June 13th at the home of her son Lloyd.

MAST, Paul D., 23, of Orrville R3, Ohio

died Sunday evening, June 15, following an auto accident May 28th (see front page, May issue). He never regained consciousness. He was a son of the late Daniel D. and Sarah D. (Yoder) Mast, and was born in East Union Township on February 19, 1952. Survivors include four sisters, Mrs. Mose (Susie) Miller Jr. of Fredericksburg R2, Mrs. Saloma Anderson of Hampton, Va., Mrs. Emma Mast of Lake City, Fla., and Mrs. Crist (Katie) Yoder of LaGrange, Ind.; four brothers, David of Apple Creek R2, Eli and Daniel of Orrville R3, and Christy of Apple Creek R1; and a grandmother, Mrs. Susanna S. Yoder of R2, Fredericksburg.

Funeral services were held June 18 at the home place on Orrville R3, by Bishop Amos Miller. Burial was in the Erb Cemetery.

MILLER, Mrs. Emma E., 87, Mercer, Pennsylvania

died in the home of her daughter June 28th. She was born June 2, 1888; was married to Milo Miller who died eight years ago. Surviving are five sons, one daughter, one sister, 40 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the home June 30th.

PETERSHEIM, Mrs. Mary B., 53, Christiana R1, Pa.

died in her home Monday, June 16, at 7:57 p.m., after a five months illness of cancer. She was a daughter of the late John S. and Mary K. (Beiler) King, and was married to Isaac K. Petersheim. Surviving are her husband, and five children: Lydia, wife of Henry L. Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1; Emma, wife of Roy Stoltzfus, Leola R1; John S. , Christiana R1; Emanuel, Paradise R1; and Susie, wife of Daniel Stoltzfus, Quarryville R3; 20 grandchildren; two brothers, Levi B. King, Witmer, and Henry B. King, Christiana R1; and two sisters, Susie, wife of Christian S. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, and Emma, wife of John E. King, Paradise R1.

Funeral services were held at the home June 19 at 11:30 a.m.; short services in the house by Bishop Enos M. Beiler; hymn read by Dea. David F. King; services in barn held by Bishop Israel M. Beiler and Bishop Amos L. Beiler; hymn read by Pre. Christ R. Petersheim; burial in Georgetown Cemetery; hymn read by Pre. Aaron F. King; abschied by Pre. Abner S. Glick.

SCHLABACH, Jacob, 84, Topeka R2, Indiana

died Thursday night at LaGrange County Hospital. He was born in Ohio Sept. 1, 1890 to Sam and Elizabeth (Miller) Schlabach, and was married in Arthur, Ill., Feb. 19, 1935, to Suzie Schrock, who survives. Other survivors include five daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Bowers of Wooster, Ohio, Mrs. William (Sylvia) Yoder of LaGrange, Mrs. John (Mary Ellen) Gingerich of Milford, Martha, at home, and Mrs. Enos (Katie) Kuhns of Topeka; five sons, Joni, Walter, Clarence and Melvin, all of LaGrange and Eli of Millersburg; three sisters, Mrs. Levi (Mary) Hershberger and Mrs. John (Emma) Kurtz of Millersburg, Ohio, and Mrs. John (Sarah) Hershberger of Eaton, Ohio; a brother, Lester of Millersburg, Ohio; six stepchildren and 103 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Schlabach residence, by Pre. Ervin Hostetler. Burial was in Miller Cemetery, LaGrange.

STOLTZFUS, Infant, Gap R1, Pennsylvania

daughter of Samuel B. and Ruth M. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, was stillborn Wednesday, June 25, at Lancaster General Hospital. Grandparents are B. John and Lydia L. (Petersheim) Stoltzfus, and Stephen S. and Mary R. (Glick) Stoltzfus, both of Gap R1.

STUTZMAN, Amanda, 62, Arthur, Illinois

died June 15th at 9:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Hospital, Decatur, Illinois, where she had been since June 3. She started in with a sore leg, then death was caused by a blood clot in each lung. Born Oct. 4, 1912, she was a daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Schrock) Graber, and was married Dec. 15, 1932 to Levi J. Stutzman, son of Joseph and Sarah (Mast) Stutzman. Her husband died April 7, 1975, they lived in matrimony 42 yr., 3 mo., 12 days, she lived as a widow 69 days.

Funeral services were held at the home west of Arcola, June 18, by Min. Peter Graber, Nappanee, Ind. and Dan Miller from Ohio, and in basement by Eli Mast from Nappanee and Bishop John Troyer from Northern Indiana. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

TROYER, Rudy J., 83, Middlebury R3, Indiana

died at his home June 19 at 7:20 p.m. He was bedfast for several months in failing health. He was born in Geauga County, Ohio, Sept. 6, 1891, but lived most of his life in the Middlebury area, residing at his present home for the past nine years. He was married Jan. 26, 1919 to Matilda Kauffman who died July 13, 1965. On Nov. 27, 1966 he married Barbara Bontrager, who survives. Also surviving are three sons, Albert of Wakarusa, William of Middlebury, and Owen of Goshen; five daughters, Mrs. Eli (Ella) Hochstetler of Hutchinson, Kan., Mrs. Joas (Irene) Frye and Mrs. Hubert (Laura) Miller, both of Goshen, Mrs. Carroll (Susan) Good of Ephrata, Pa., and Mrs. Richard (May) Berkey of Amboy; 21 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one stepdaughter, Edna Bontrager, Sturgis, Mich. and two stepsons, Ora W. and John Bontrager, both of Middlebury.

Funeral services were held at the Andrew Lehman home at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, June 22, by Bishop Henry Miller and Pre. Sam Bontrager. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

YODER, Infant, Topeka R2, Indiana

daughter of Freeman and Marietta (Miller) Yoder, was stillborn Saturday, May 31, in Goshen General Hospital. Surviving with the parents are three sisters, Joanna Kay, Lorene Sue and Rosetta Fern, all at home; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elton S. Miller of Topeka and Mr. and Mrs. Ira A. Yoder of LaGrange; and the great-grandparents, Mrs. Martha Hochstetler of Topeka, Mrs. Fannie Yoder of Iowa and Sam B. Miller of Goshen.

Graveside services were held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Miller Cemetery northeast of Topeka by Pre. Joni B. Miller.

ZOOK, Miss Barbara B., 97, Lancaster, Pa.

of 2120 Hobson Road, died Tuesday morning, June 24, at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital, where she had been a patient for three days. Born July 23, 1877 in West Earl Township, she was a daughter of the late Joel and Rebecca (Beiler) Zook, and is survived by four brothers: David B., Bird-in-Hand R1; Isaac B., Christiana R1; Noah D., Lancaster; and Amos D., Leola.

Funeral services were held June 26th; short services at the home of Katie and Bena Zook by Pre. John S. Fisher, hymn "Endlich, endlich" by Dea. Aaron M. Beiler; further services at the Christ Beiler home by two nephews, Samuel Zook and Bennie A. Yoder, text 2nd Corinthians 5th verse, hymn "Freu dich sehr" by Emanuel S. Fisher; burial in Myers Cemetery, hymn "Nun bringen wir den leib zur ruh" by Jacob Stoltzfus, abschied by John L. Stoltzfus.

FAIRVIEW SCHOOL REUNION

On June 28, 1975 a school reunion was held at the Fairview School on South Ronks Road, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. About 250 people were present. They included those who had attended the old school, which was located where the home of Mrs. Anna Denlinger now stands, and also those from the new Fairview School up to the present time. The oldest pupil present was Salina Stoltzfus, who was born Sept. 25, 1872, and the youngest was Levi, son of Joe Fishers, Born Sept. 25, 1968. These two have the same birth date 96 years apart.

The old school was built in 1866 and classes were held there till 1916 when the new school was built. This has been the only one room public school in East Lampeter Township since 1938 when the township was consolidated. The school is now to be sold. This last term there were only eleven pupils in Grades 1 to 4. The four upper grades had been taken out in 1964.

The highlight of the day was a talk given by Mrs. Anna Denlinger who had taught here 34 years. She taught the third generation of some families. Two families were present that both husband and wife and all their children had attended this school.

All in all it was a wonderful day in spite of the rain storm in the morning.

Compiled by Lydia F. Beiler

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

June turned out to be a very good growing month with plenty of rain and warm weather. Corn is growing extremely fast and will soon be normal height even though a lot was planted late. Not so good for the hay crop which was heavy. We had two different spells of nearly a week that some good hay went in without rain. Much was rained on, though. Total rainfall for June was 5.7 inches. High was 90 on the 19th and 24th, low 50 on the ninth. Hay is yielding well, second crop alfalfa is mostly in, but crab grass is about taking over with all the rain. Grain is on shock, except late spring oats. Grains look good. Thrashing has started. Army worms were no real threat this year. Hog prices are very high again, 60¢ lb, also feeder pigs sell as high as $1.25 lb. Feed prices still on a decline. Market price for new barley $1.45 bu.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

We are having tremendous growing weather, plenty of rain. Corn is stretching so fast, it's amazing. We had over 7 inches rain. We had nearly a week of warm, humid 90 plus from June 16 to 21, also severe thunderstorm several times.

Lancaster County, Pa, by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 8.4 in. It was the wettest June since Hurricane Agnes flood in 1972.

Market report: Fat cattle $59 cwt; feeder steers $26 to $43.50 cwt; fat vealers $65 to $71 cwt.; fat hogs hit $60.25 again; 40 lb. feeder pigs $1 to $1.16 lb.; choice spring lambs $42; dairy cows $350 to $850. Poultry, heavy pullets 42¢ to 45¢ lb., ducks 50¢ lb.; large eggs 53¢ doz. Ear corn $80 ton, $2.85 bu.; wheat $2.80 bu; barley $1.80 bu; oats $1.80 bu; hay $30 to $77 ton; straw $36 to $50 ton. Potatoes retail $4.50 to $5 for 50 lb.

by Ammon F. Fisher

The last of May and first of June we had 1½ in. rain, some places they had over 3 inches. June 19 it was 86, then we had 2/10 in rain, hail, and thunder. Lots of nice hay went in barns June 18-19. June was wet with lots of thunder showers. We had 7½ inches total rainfall for June, but some places they had more.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

We had good growing weather most of June, with a total of 7.3 inches rainfall. A lot of farmers had trouble getting their hay dry, except those who waited until the 17th, as we had six good days of drying weather after that. Corn looks nice, with some of the earliest being about shoulder high already, However, some late corn is only six to ten inches high. Barley is being thrashed and wheat is ready to binder.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Beiler

June was a wet month, not so good for hay making, but corn is really growing. The first two weeks were rainy and cool, after that it was warmer. We had a week without much rain, then the last week we had four days of rain again. First cutting hay is mostly made. Peas and strawberries are about over.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam M. Troyer

We had over six inches rain in June, makes things grow. A lot of hay got wet, but a lot was put up the middle of the month withour rain. It has been warm, but not extra warm. There is lots of fruit on the trees and bushes. Corn and oats look very nice.

McClure, by Katie A. Speicher

June was wet, with more rain the first two weeks than in May. The third week was very warm and humid. It rained almost all day from the 25th to 27th. Cloudy and cool the rest of the month.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

June was a very fruitful month with many showers. The month started in wet and showery. June 4 a heavy shower with hail here the size of peas covering the grass like apple blossoms. It was nearly 15 min. till they were all melted after it had quit. Some areas had no hail. A lot of hay was put away; a good bit of it had rain. Barley is cut. Strawberries, cherries and peas were a good crop, and are nearly over. Low temperature 48, high in the high 90's. Total rainfall 6.3 inches.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y. Renno

June weather was mostly wet and very warm, in the 90's some days. Total rainfall 7½ inches, 4 inches above normal. Crops are very good, but grain is lodged somewhat. Not much hay was put in without rain. Wheat is being cut till July 4. Oats is soon ready. Corn is a good stand. Cherries were only a medium crop, but peaches are hanging full and had to be thinned.

Path Valley, Pennsylvania, by Daniel Z. Beiler

We had good growing weather most of June. It was getting just a little dry around the 15th, then we had showers from the 17th to the 20th an all day rain. Good hay weather before the 15th and also the last week. Barley threshing just started, yields good. Wheat is turning yellow, oats a pale green. Early corn is about waist high. Crops look good. Oats had slight damage from a leaf beetle which made its appearance here for the first time.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

June was wet with scattered thundershowers, bringing the total rainfall here to 6.7inches. Some places had more or less. We had several days with temperatures in the 90's. The highest was on June 24, but it dropped overnight to 67 and has been more moderate since. Field work has been delayed due to wet weather, and much corn was planted after the middle of June. Farmers are busy making hay and cutting wheat. Sweet cherries are ripe and are selling at pick your own for $3.25 for an eight quart bucketful. Sugar prices are coming down, but canning lids have been hard to get so far.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Mary A. Kinsinger

June has been warm, and some days very humid. The first week it rained about every day. After that we had a few light showers, till on June 27 we had an all-day rain. It rained 4.7 inches during the month. June 26 was foggy and damp. Lots of hay was made the last few weeks. Strawberries were a good crop, and peas are coming. Barley fields are yellow, and wheat is also turning.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania, by Dan J. Troyer

Good growing weather in June with over 4 inches of rain, mostly the forepart, some cool days. Morning temperature mostly around 60 to 68 degrees. The latter part was warm and humid, in the 90's some days. Hay was slow in drying until the last few days. Early corn is starting to tassel. Strawberries are about done and were a good crop. Cattle prices are down a little and hog prices up around 58¢ cwt.

Guys Mills, Pennsylvania, by Melvin D. Byler

Weather through the first part of June was quite wet, with not much hay put up and still some corn to be planted. The last two weeks it was very nice with not much rain. A lot of hay was made. Hay is a good crop even though it had a late start. Strawberries seem to be plentiful but high priced, 50¢ qt. pick your own, 75¢ at roadside stands. Feed prices have declined a bit this last month. Cattle are holding same as last month. Milk prices have dropped some. Grade A price is $7.70 cwt. for 3.5 test. This is about a dollar cwt. less than a year ago.

Townville, Pennsylvania, by Willis J. Hostetler

Weather in June was wet which made it hard to dry hay, but good growing weather. Garden things look nice. Strawberries were a fair crop. Milk is down a little, $7.90 per cwt.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Fisher

We had lots of rain the beginning of June, not much nice hay made. The latter part of the month was more cleared off, perfect hay weather the last few days. We had wonderful growing weather. Corn is much bigger than same date last year. A lot is about chest high. Peas and strawberries were a good crop.

Stark County, Ohio, by Andrew M. Miller

The last few days of May we had a few inches of rain, then the first of June it cooled off a bit. The next three days we had rain and thunder. On June 11 we had more rain. On June 13 some put in hay, then it was nice for a few days. June 22 we had two in. There is still lots of hay to make when the weather permits. Livestock market: Hogs $54.50; choice steers $53; cows $31.50; calves $56; lambs $47.50.

Hicksville, Ohio, by David Raber

We had some warm and humid weather in June. It seemed to rain close enough together that very little hay did not get rained on. Wheat, oats, and corn are all a little yellow. Wheat prices are between $2.60 and $2.95.

CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS, Continued

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

We had 4½ inches rain in June. Hay is mostly made and was a good crop. Barley is cut, wheat is close up. Strawberries are mostly over, also a good crop, only some early ones rotted. Corn is growing very fast. Garden vegetables are plentiful.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Haying is mostly done even though we had quite a bit of rain in June. The last ten days we did not have much rain. Hay was a good crop if you could get it dry. Some very nice hay went in the last week. Corn looks very good, what did not drown in the spring. It is mostly too high to cultivate. Wheat is ready to cut and shock. Some barley has been combined. Oats looks very good. Hogs are nearly 60¢ lb.

Southeastern Holmes, by John L. Yoder

June started in with quite a bit of moisture. Early cut hay was down a week or more before it dried. From there on weather was favorable for hay making with some warm and humid days. Wheat cutting is just around the corner. Oats and pasture fields look good. Corn is making good growth. Hog prices have advanced some, pigs still high in price.

Eastern Holmes, by Raymond S. Weaver

Rain was plentiful during the first half of June. The latter part was very warm. Hay has been a good crop, but most of the early hay was bleached due to the rains. People are ready for the wheat harvest. Wheat is very uneven in height, mostly rather short.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Lovina J. Miller

June 26 we had some rain again. Wheat is changing color fast. Barley is on shock. We have been having very warm weather; at some places it was 100. Crops look wonderful since our wet weather in May. Strawberries are a good crop, also peas. Corn is growing fast now.

Utica, Ohio, by Melvin E. Hershberger

May was rather dry and cool in the forepart, up to the 25th. From then on, we had wet. Rainfall was 3 inches, high 90 on the 26th, low 33 on the 8th.

June was warm and humid, rainfall 4 inches, high 90 on the 20th and 23rd, low 40 on the 9th. Men are busy with hay which seems to be a good crop. Strawberries were plentiful. Calves are up a little, but beef is still quite low.

Ashland, Ohio, by Mary E. Brenneman

June had lots of rain, has been very hard to make hay, most of it being washed off pretty well. Seemed like a good year for strawberries. Some of them were huge in size. Peas did not do so well, seemed it was too wet for them. Corn looks very good, lots of it is already as high as a man. Wheat is almost ready to be cut and looks good.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

We had about 6 inches rain in June. There were well-scattered showers throughout the month which held up hay making, but was good for wheat, oats, and corn. A few tractor farmers were still planting corn June 28.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

The first two weeks of June it was cool with rain about every day. By the 16th it turned hot with high humidity and very heavy rains again every two or four days. The rainfall for the month was 3 times the average. Very little hay has been made this month, although usually the first cutting is all finished before July. Some hay and wheat is flat. Our spring started in with exceptionally many insects and bugs eating the vegetables and trees to the extent that it was hard to start something or transplant unless it was dusted right away. The trees were slow in getting leaves because the insects kept them eaten off. This last heavy rain at the end of the month drowned many bugs. Many were lying on the ground dead, so this rain had its value after all.

Oscoda County (Mio), Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

Around June 8 we had several days of cool weather, was around 40 a few mornings. The middle of June we had much rain for over a week, making it hard to put up hay. The last ten days were warm and good haying weather. The thermometer showed 118 in the sun one afternoon. Hay crop looks good this year. Oats has a nice color, but is later than usual. Barley is headed out.

Branch County, Michigan, by Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

The first half of June was cool and wet, having showers almost every day. The last half has been warm and humid. Wheat is ready to cut.

Centreville, Michigan, by Treva Yoder

June had 20 days of rain, some heat and warm. Crops are looking very good.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

The first part of June was cool, but latter part was hot, muggy and lots of rain, which made it difficult to plant corn and make hay. The low was 50 on the 8th, the high 90 on the 20th and 29th.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

The last 15 days of June were very hot and humid with temperature in the 90's. Corn and beans look very nice. Figures for the month: High, 94 on the 20th; Low, 44 on the 8th; Rainfall, 5.55 inches; 7 clear days, 22 partly cloudy, 1 cloudy, 13 rainy days and ten thunderstorms.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

Rainy quite well describes June's weather. However, we had intermittent sunshine. It is quite a job to get hay in, and women find it hard to keep gardens clean. Peas are being canned. Beans look nice. Tomatoes have blossoms and look promising. Strawberries are nice, but did not yield heavy. Wheat looks nice and changing color.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

In June it rained every day till the 6th, cool and sunny. Blackberries blooming. The second week rain every other day, lots of hay cut. June 15 a narrow strip of damage was done by a twister. Ten to twelve buggies blown over a road during church services. June 17 rain, 19th very warm and humid. 28th and 29th warm 90 then cool evenings. Strawberries were a good crop. Peas are doing extra good. Green beans are also on the menu. Lots of hay put away, but most of it had rain.

Kosciusko County, Indiana, by Joni D. Gingerich

June has been wet with some warm humid weather. The high was over 90, low 45 on the 8th when we had a cool spell. Hay making was quite a problem on account of so much rain. There was very little hay that did not get rain. The normal rainfall for June in this area is 3½ inches, but this year we had over 9. It rained on 17 days; we only had 5 days of all sunshine. Those cutting wheat with binder are about finished and it looks like a heavy crop. Oats looks very good and is headed out. A few fields are starting to turn. Most corn looks very good; only the low spots where water stood on it quite a bit it is not as big as the rest and has light color. All gardens and truck patches look good. Sweet cherries and sour cherries are just about over and were a heavy crop. Grain prices are holding steady. Beans $4.71; wheat $2.52; corn $2.55; oats $1.65; top hogs $57. Pasture fields have yielded lots of grass.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

June brought some very good growing weather with showers almost every other day the first two weeks. Total rainfall six inches. June 14 it was quite stormy. A tornado was spotted in a few places, but none of them came down. The wheat fields were damaged quite a bit, but some of it straightened up again. We had some very humid days which really gave the corn a boost, bringing it higher than the fences. Farmers are busy cutting wheat and making second cutting hay. Everyone had an abundant crop of strawberries, raspberries, and peas. Some have already canned green beans.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

Weather in general has been in favor of the horse farmer, warm with a nice breeze. We had a few days 100 degree temperature. Crops are looking good. Some wheat has been combined. Oats is nearing the point. Corn is coming in tassel and looks good.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

It is very dry at present. We had less than ½ inch rain in the last three weeks. Wheat harvest is past, with yields from 35 to 50 bu. an acre. Most beans are planted while some are waiting for rain. Mostly No-til method for double crop beans. Early corn has been in tassel two weeks already, but looks fair considering the dry weather. Wheat $2.60; hogs $58.

Ethridge, Tennessee, by Jacob J. Gingerich

June has been on the dry side for us. Rainfall was 2½ inches. High 88, low 58. Grain is thrashing out fair; still some thrashing to do. Early corn is in head. Early potatoes, tomatoes, sweet corn, green beans, okra, cucumbers, etc. are on the menu. Feeder pigs as high as $1.30 lb.; fat hogs 60¢; while cattle are still very low.

Garnett, Kansas, by Edward H. Yoder

May was rather dry until the last week we got considerable moisture. Corn and milo are coming along nicely. Gardens are looking good in spite of the worm problems. Wheat will soon be turning. Strawberries were a good crop. The alfalfa fields are damaged considerably from the weevils in spite of the chemicals.

June was on the wet side with almost 8 inches of rain. Some areas had much more. The high was 92 on the sixth, low 48 on the second. Not much field work was done until the last week. Wheat harvest was delayed with some wind and hail damage, but still yielding pretty good. Gardens and field crops are looking pretty good again since the wind and hail. Soybean planting is on the go at the end of the month.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by E. E. Schrock

We have had much rain all through spring of 1975, with June following still wet. Last of the month reports are as much as 6 or 7 inches, which filled creeks. Gardens are doing their best with all these rains, but it is too much for the wheat which yields are lower than normal. The hail and strong wind we had first part of June did considerable damage to wheat fields. We've had exceptionally cool for June with low of 50, and also some hot days with high at 105 degrees.

Reno County (Partridge), Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

June has been a pleasant month with more rain than average. Milo and other row crops have been planted late, and are not cultivated yet. The rain had stalled harvest, but has been in full swing again with good yields and plenty of mud patches. Second cutting hay is ready and a good crop, so with drying weather the farmers will not look around for work.

Seymour, Missouri, by Menno D. Schwartz

June was a month of lots of rain. It was a little hard to dry the hay at times, but it takes rain to make a second cutting which is not always the case here in the dry months of July and August. We had more garden things than usual, peas especially. Some are combining fescue, which is usually a fair crop here. We don't have corn fields here as they do across the Missouri River. Some are trying to raise corn and milo. The potatoes had a good chance to grow big. Temperature has been in the high 90's.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

The first part of June was cool with regular showers, latter was warmer with temperature in the 90's and drier. A good shower on June 26 freshened things up again. Row crops look good. Wheat is cut and shocked and oats is almost ready to cut. Hay was a good crop, but still some to put up. Clover is the main hay through here.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

Weather is summerlike, up to 90 quite often. Good corn weather, with enough rain to keep things growing. Haying was delayed about a week on account of rain, but corn is ahead, some as high as the fence already. Wheat is on shock.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

It has been real warm since June 19 with temperature up to 90 and 95, and only a few showers. We have had no heavy rains this year yet, not over an inch at a time, so the ground hasn't washed any. First cutting hay is nearly done, which is mostly a heavy crop. Oats look very promising. Corn is from knee to shoulder high. Oats is starting to turn color so harvest is only a few weeks off.

Bloomfield, Iowa, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

May and June have been very pleasant months with regular showers, The last two weeks in June were warmer and humid, but cooled off nights. Crops and gardens are looking nice. Strawberries were a heavy crop, and lots of peas and green beans are being canned. Most of the hay has been put away. Hogs were 55¢ lb. the last part of June.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

The first part of June was cool, latter part warm and humid with 6 inches of rain for the month. Hay was put up between showers, which is an abundant crop. Corn is about waist high, good growing weather.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

The forepart of June was cooler than in May. We had about a week of rainy weather, which was very welcome as it was getting dry. We had several showers since. The last part of June was warmer, very good growing weather. Some corn is knee high. Farmers are busy putting up hay when weather permits. Strawberries are a short crop. Canning lids are very hard to get.

Chetek, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Henry Lehman

We have had a considerable amount of rainfall in June. Lots of haying done between showers. Temperature hanging between 85 to 92 in the shade. Lots of corn will be over knee high by the 4th of July if nothing happens to it. The hay crop is very heavy and long, and seems to be lots of it which should lower prices again. Levi J. Masts of Clark, Mo. bought a farm in this area, intending to move in Aug.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

June was cool and damp until the 19th. Corn did not grow faster than the weeds, so it made some green fields. The last two weeks were warm and drier, so the corn looks a lot better since it has been cultivated. A lot of corn is knee high. Hay making is in full swing, oats is heading, wheat is turning color.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Joe C. Borntreger

Weather for June was mostly wet and cool up to the 20th. Then it warmed up with humid, rainy weather, making it hard to dry hay which is a heavy crop. Corn is about knee high, oats is headed out, wheat is starting to turn.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Moses S. Miller

June had some cool days, but mostly warm. We had a wet spell for about two weeks. Very little hay was made till the last week in June. Hay is heavy. Oats is heading. Corn is being cultivated and looks good.

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker, Jr.

During June we had a lot of rainy days. Some farmers had a hard time getting the last of the crops in the ground on account of the wet weather. Gardens look good. June 13 we had a hail storm through here in late afternoon. It wasn't a very wide path, only hitting some places. Not much damage was done. Strawberries are not plentiful here this year.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William M. Schrock, Sr.

We had a lot of nice weather in June, but it rained eight times. We had some warm days, also some cool days. People started haying, but some hay got wet. Corn, oats, and garden things are growing fast. Cultivating and haying is the main work among men.

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

The first part of June was cool and wet. Late corn was slow in coming up. It warmed up around the middle of the month and we had showers that hindered haying. The last week was very warm and sunny and a lot of hay has been put in. Oats and barley are heading out.

Grey County, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

June brought us some nice rains, although we were not overly wet at any time. Nice sunny days the last of June put haying in full swing. Hay is a good crop this year. Early grain is headed. Corn will make an easy knee high by the 4th of July. Strawberries are ripe and are a good crop.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

The first week in June was cool and dry. On June 11 we had a good soaker, and it rained every day after that for a week. After that it was rather warm and dry. We haven't had rain for over a week now, and could use some again. Men are cutting hay, which is a good crop. Strawberries were good but a short crop due to dry weather when they were blooming. Garden things look good except late peas as they got wet feet.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

After an inch of rain on May 4, the weather cleared and it was very dry and warm, enabling farmers to get their crop in before the next rains on May 30. Corn emerged in four or five days during the warm spell. Fruit trees bloomed in profusion and with the ideal pollinating weather there is a good set. The hay crop looks a bit short yet. Corn is cheaper and fat hogs and weaner pigs somewhat higher again.

In the forepart of June we had lots of rain, and some drizzly damp weather until the last week. Then we got ideal haying weather and by the first of July most of the haying was done. Corn is waist high, hay a good crop, and oats looks good. Strawberries were a bumper crop with most selling at 50¢ tp 60¢. Hogs and milk remain high.

Norwich, Ontario, Telephone Number

The phone number of Alf Deller, Norwich taxi, should not be used because he died. New number to try is Arn and Son Funeral Home, Norwich, Ontario, 519-863-3020

ORDINATIONS

Bloomfield, Iowa

John J. Hochstedler was ordained minister, May 25th. He is a son of John Hochstedlers of Kalona, Iowa, and is married to a daughter of the late John Gingerichs, formerly of Arthur, Illinois. With him in the lot were Norman Yutzy, Daniel Beachy, Harry Mishler Jr., and Dewey Gingerich.

Grey County, Ontario

Samuel L. Swartzentruber, Chesley R4, was ordained bishop in West District, June 11th. He is a son of the late Bishop Levi J. and Lydia (Troyer) Swartzentruber, formerly of Apple Creek R2, Ohio. Ordination was by Bishop Eli N. Stutzman and Bishop Eli J. Hostetler, both of Ethridge R2, Tenn.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Kokomo, Indiana

John Andrew, 18-month-old son of Ezra A. and Ella (Gingerich) Yoder, Amboy R1, is slowly gaining since they discovered what his trouble is. After tests at two different hospitals they found a growth on the cerebellum part of the brain. Doctors wanted to perform surgery but admitted he would have only one third of a chance to survive, since his physical condition is already run-down so that he can't walk and his eyes are badly crossed. Xrays showed his top vertebra was out of place causing irritation to the end of the spinal cord. A growth formed, blocking the flow of the spinal fluid. This fluid caused pressure to the brain, upsetting his nervous system. Since giving him chiropractic treatments twice a week his head has gone down some and his spine and body have lost the stiffness. He has a very poor appetite and is teething very hard so he is gaining very slowly.

HOLMES AND WAYNE COUNTY NOTES

Robbers have been through here and have broken into a number of Amish homes, taking mostly money, and scaring a lot of people. They have been caught and are waiting in jail for their trial, which has been set on a later date. They did not seem to be dangerous with weapons.

Eli A. Yoder has a broken arm as the result of trying to stop the horses from running away.

8-YEAR-OLD BOY BREAKS ARM

Joel I., son of John Y. Speicher, McClure, Pa., broke both arms when he fell ten feet through a hole in the hay mow floor to the bottom floor at a barn raising at the home of Noah A. Yoders. He is to have his arms in a cast for six weeks. He can feed himself with his left hand. The right arm is broken in three places.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Blair, Wisconsin

Henry, age 6, son of Perry J. Lambrights, got his left hand in the pulley while they were unloading hay. He was rushed to the Lacrosse Hospital where they took off the two middle fingers. Doctors didn't know if they could save the first finger or not.

John, age 7, son of John Lambrights, cracked his left arm when he fell from a cart. His arm is in a sling.

ADAMS CO., PA. HORSE ELECTROCUTED

Friday evening, June 27, while it was wet and rainy, Isaac F., son of Isaac L. Stoltzfus, tied his horse to the electric light pole at the little store in Two Taverns, which for years had been used as a hitching post. While Isaac was in the store the horse started to whinny and tried to break loose. Thinking the horse was scared of the traffic, Isaac went out and petted the horse and got shocked. He yelled for someone to turn off the current, which was done, but the horse was electrocuted. His hoofs had turned black. An underground current goes through there and they said the horse was killed from a short of 75 voltage. It is a miracle that no children were killed as they were playing around there barefooted.

SEYMOUR, MO. SWIMMING MISHAP

A 5 year old son of Jacob G. Schwartz almost drowned when some of the family went swimming without the older ones. This boy stumbled and got in too deep. An 8 year old brother swam in and dragged him out. They quickly got their parents, who worked on him to get the water out of his lungs, then rushed him to the hospital, and saved his life!

COMMUNITY NOTES – St. Mary's County, Md.

Lightning struck the barn on the Sol Yoder farm, June 18th, where John Kurtzs live, burning it to the ground. One driving horse was lost, which was apparently struck down, and they couldn't get him out.

Early in the morning of June 26th lightning struck and killed a driving mare and colt in the open pasture belonging to John L. Stoltzfus.

AMHERST, WISCONSIN MISHAP

Aaron Beechy had the misfortune of breaking his ankle when a load of hay tipped over for him. He spent a few days in the hospital, then came home with his leg in cast. A frolic was planned to put up his hay and cultivate his corn.

PATH VALLEY, PA. CAR-BUGGY ACCIDENT

Samuel Y. Beiler, 23, of Spring Run, received a broken knee and a few scratches when a car struck his horse and buggy. He was traveling west when an eastbound car crossed the center line causing the mishap. Sam was thrown from the buggy. The horse was killed and the buggy needed some repairs. Sam was taken to Chambersburg Hospital where doctors removed his kneecap, which was broken into ten pieces. His condition was satisfactory.

ADAMS COUNTY, IND. TOOL SHED FIRE

Lightning struck in a big tool shed owned by Mr. and Mrs. Noah R. Schwartz, Monroe, Ind. during a severe thunderstorm in the evening of June 14 around 10 o'clock. In a matter of minutes the whole building was in flames. Nothing could be saved. The family heard sirens and were going out to see where the fire was and found it at their place. Tools, straw, a large amount of grain, soybeans, and oats were lost. They also lost a cow, killed by lightning.

Die 3 Mäd Wo Ich Mit Mein
Ersten Weib hat hab Schon heiraten an
der rebergemein. Mit Mein letzten Weib
hab Ich 4 buben und 1 Madel. das Jüngste
Ist ein Madel Wird dieser Summer 12 Jahr
alt. Knecht Santolz Ist die gemein bei uns.
Ich Wot So Wert Ihr auch da. Es Sol
Großgemein Sein. Wir han 9 meil an der
ralway an granbersvilt 10 Meil zu
Okland. Wan Ihr Mol kommen Wolt dann
Schreibet uns So Welen Wir Euch abholen.
Ich denk Ihr gand das bet zu Oklan von
den kars Wan Ihr Hat Just uf di zeit
dort Wert Wo Ihr denket detet dann Wed
Es Hat So Weit bis Wo Wir unser bet Wonen.
das Christian Jutzis und das Christian
Schlabachs Wonen Daher 3 Meil. das
Jutzis Sin recht am Weg. Okland Ist Hoch
zu Marland an baltomor ralway. Ich
Wil ablassen mit meinem geringen
Schreiben. Seit uns Eingedenk in Euren gebet
Wie Wir auch gedenkt Sin. So Viel Von Mir und
ein Wolwünscher Christian Petersheim

Das letzte theil von der Brief geſchrieben zu der Chriſtian Miller von der Chriſtian Peterſheim,

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Die 3 Med wo Ich mit mein erſten weib kat hab ſchafen trunten an der reber gemein. Mit mein letzten weib hab Ich 4 Buben und 1 Medel, das Jüngſte iſt ein Metel wird dieſer Sumer 12 jahr alt. Negſt Sontag iſt die Gemein bei uns. Ich wot no weret Ihr auch do. Es ſol Groß gemein ſein. Wir hen 9 meil an der relweg an Grembereſamet 12 meil in Okland. Wan dir mol komen wolet dan ſchreibet uns no welen Wir euch abholen. Ich denk dir gend das beſt in Okland von den Kers wan dir net juſt uf di zeit dort weret wo dir denket detet dan wer es net ſo weit bis wo won unſer leit wonen. Das Chriſtian Yutzis und das Chriſtian Schlabachs wonen ongefer 3 Meil das Yutzis ſin recht am weg. Okland iſt noch in Marland am Baltomor relweg. Ich wil ablaſen mit meinem geringen Schreiben. Seit uns eingedenk in Euren gebet wi Mir auch geſinet ſin. So vil von Mir nur ein Wolwinſcher.

Chriſtian Peterſheim

OUR SENIOR MEMBERS BORN IN OR BEFORE 1895

Dover, Delaware

May 23, 1884 – Manas Schlabach, Wyoming R1
Aug. 22, 1884 – Dea. John M. Beachy, Dover R2
Oct. 14, 1885 – Annie, widow of Stephen King, Wyoming R1
Feb. 21, 1886 – Eva, widoe of Henry S. Miller, Dover R2
Nov. 6, 1889 – Bishop Eli S. Miller, Dover R2
Mar. 12, 1891 – Eliza (Danny) Miller, Dover R2
Apr. 28, 1891 – John J. Yoder, Dover R6
Jul. 12, 1892 – Henry S. Mast, Dover R2
May 27, 1893 – Mary (Miller), wife of John J. Yoder
Mar. 11, 1894 – Lizzie (Miller), wife of Henry S. Mast, Dover R2
Mar. 13, 1894 – Mary (Schrock), wife of Manas Schlabach, Wyoming R1

St. Mary's County, Maryland

Aug. 15, 1884 – Sarah, widow of Daniel Zook, Mechanicsville, Maryland

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Men

Feb. 17, 1883 – Stephen M. Stoltzfus, Gap R1, Pa.
Jan. 7, 1885 – Moses Lapp, Gap R1, Pa.
June 30, 1885 – David B. Zook, Bird-in-Hand R1, Pa.
July 5, 1885 – John M. Fisher, Ronks R1, Pa.
Sep. 3, 1885 – Henry U. Stoltzfus, Gap R1, Pa.
Dec. 14, 1886 – Henry B. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, Pa.
Oct. 28, 1887 – Isaac B. Zook, Christiana R1, Pa.
Sep. 21, 1888 – Amos L. Beiler, Narvon R2, Pa.
Nov. 17, 1888 – Jacob B. Lapp, Gordonville R1, Pa.
Dec. 10, 1888 – Aaron Esh, Leola R1
Jan. 21, 1889 – Christian M. Lapp, New Holland R2
Nov. 20, 1889 – Noah D. Zook, Old Phila. Pike, Lanc.
Jan. 7, 1890 – Stephen K. Fisher, Honey Brook R1
Jan. 19, 1890 – John F. Stoltzfoos, Bird-in-Hand R1
Jan. 28, 1890 – David B. Fisher, Christiana R1
Feb. 21, 1890 – Daniel U. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R1
Mar. 11, 1890 – Ezra D. Beiler, Ronks R1
Mar. 30, 1890 – Christian S. Beiler, Gordonville R1
Aug. 18, 1890 – Samuel E. Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1
Oct. 6, 1890 – Daniel B. Esh, Gordonville R1
Dec. 14, 1890 – Daniel L. Esh, Ronks R1
June 26, 1891 – Eli S. King, Ronks R1
June 27, 1891 – Moses S. King, Ronks R1
Sept. 7, 1891 – Emanuel S. Stoltzfus, Churchtown
Oct. 3, 1891 – Isaac S. King, Newport Rd., Leola
Nov. 25, 1891 – Josiah L. Beiler, Kinzers R1
Aug. 27, 1892 – Jonathan Zook, Gridley Rd., Lanc.
Nov. 24, 1892 – Benjamin S. Esh, Ronks R1
July 14, 1893 – Daniel K. Smoker, Ronks R1
Sept. 15, 1893 – Abram L. Beiler, Kinzers R1
Sept. 24, 1893 – Benjamin M. Kauffman, Christiana R1
Feb. 23, 1894 – Levi E. Stoltzfus, Narvon R1
Sept. 8 , 1894 – Elan B. Stoltzfoos, Leola R1
May 3, 1895 – Jonas S. Fisher, Ronks R1
June 4, 1895 – Aaron M. Beiler, 99 Witmer Rd., Lanc.
Sept. 3, 1895 – Elmer Z. Stoltzfus, Kinzers R1
Sept. 6, 1895 – Amos S. Esh, Intercourse

Women

Sept. 25, 1872 – Salina, widow of Enos Stoltzfus 2198 Hobson Rd., Lancaster
Feb. 16, 1884 – Fannie, widow of David M. King Kinzers R1
Dec. 25, 1884 – Sarah, widow of Daniel E. Stoltzfus Bird-in-Hand R1
July 3, 1886 – Fannie, widow of Amos U. Stoltzfus Ronks R1
Oct. 24, 1887 – Sallie, widow of Joseph E. Stoltzfus Bird-in-Hand R1
May 12, 1888 – Rachel, wife of Moses Lapp Gap R1
Dec. 25, 1888 – Mary, widow of Daniel Stoltzfus Leola R1
Jan. 4, 1889 – Fannie, widow of Amos R. Glick 188 Geist Rd., Lancaster
Jan. 29, 1890 – Emma, widow of John F. Smoker East Earl R1
Aug. 6, 1890 – Rebecca, widow of Samuel Smucker Gordonville R1
Dec. 17, 1890 – Lizzie, widow of Jacob F. Lapp Gap R1

SENIOR MEMBERS, Continued

Lancaster Co., Pa., Continued

Jan. 14, 1891 – Annie, widow of John B. Miller Bird-in-Hand R1
Dec. 8, 1891 – Barbara, widow of John R. Beiler Kinzers R1
Jan. 17, 1892 – Rebecca, widow of Daniel M. Fisher Lancaster R4
Apr. 10, 1892 – Emma, widow of Jesse Lapp Gordonville R1
Sept. 7, 1892 – Annie, wife of Samuel E. Stoltzfus Gordonville R1
Dec. 23, 1892 – Katie, widow of Henry F. Stoltzfus Geist Rd., Lancaster
Jan. 8, 1893 – Lydia, wife of Josiah L. Beiler Kinzers R1
Jan. 31, 1893 – Fannie, wife of Emanuel S. Stoltzfus Churchtown
Mar. 19, 1893 – Lydia, widow of Jonathan L. Beiler Quarryville R3
April 16, 1893 – Cora, wife of Christian K. Lapp Intercourse
June 21, 1893 – Rachel, wife of Christian M. Lapp New Holland R2
Dec. 30, 1893 – Annie, widow of Isaac P. Stoltzfus Gordonville R1
April 1, 1894 – Miss Emma Riehl, 2133 Lincoln Hwy. East, Lancaster
April 20, 1894 – Sarah, widow of Gideon Diener Gap R1
June 14, 1894 – Malinda, widow of Abner Stoltzfus and of Joel King, Bird-in-Hand R1
Nov. 3, 1894 – Fannie, widow of Simeon G. Stoltzfus Quarryville R3
Nov. 5, 1894 – Annie, wife of John F. Stoltzfoos Bird-in-Hand R1
Feb. 24, 1895 – Malinda, widow of Jacob K. Lapp Gordonville R1
Nov. 18, 1895 – Annie, widow of Enos King Paradise R1
Nov. 24, 1895 – Lydia, widow of Levi L. Lapp Gordonville R1
Dec. 11, 1895 – Rebecca, widow of John U. Fisher Paradise R1

Marriage Date   Couples age 80 and over
Nov. 29, 1910 – Moses and Rachel (Blank) Lapp Gap R1
Nov. 13, 1913 – Christian M. and Rachel (Lapp) Lapp, New Holland R2
Nov. 20, 1913 – John F. and Annie (Lapp) Stoltzfoos Bird-in-Hand R1
Nov. 27, 1913 – Emanuel S. and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Churchtown
Nov. 19, 1914 – Josiah L. and Lydia (Smoker) Beiler, Kinzers R1
Mar. 26, 1963 – Samuel E. and Annie (Stoltzfus (Petersheim) Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Oct. 17, 1889 – Menno D. Swarey
Oct. 30, 1893 – Elam G. Stoltzfus

Clinton County, Pennsylvania

Nov. 9, 1894 – Lavina, wife of Bishop Daniel E. Stoltzfus, Sugar Valley

McClure, Pennsylvania

Aug. 16, 1889 – Bishop Samuel S. Yoder, Reedsville Born in Nebraska

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

April 3, 1887 – Miss Katie M. Peachey
April 8, 1887 – Samuel Sharp
May 2, 1888 – Mary, widow of Josiah H. Peachey
Oct. 24, 1890 – Lizzie, widow of Bishop Noah D. Yoder
Sept. 14, 1894 – Christian K. Swarey

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Nov. 21, 1881 – Benjamin S. Summy, Meyersdale
Mar. 19, 1887 – Mrs. Samuel U. Yoder, Salisbury
Feb. 16, 1890 – Mrs. Mary J. Yoder, Grantsville, Md.
Nov. 22, 1892 – Albert U. Yoder, Grantsville, Md.
July 12, 1895 – Bennie A. Fisher
July 24, 1895 – Mrs. Albert U. Yoder, Grantsville, Md.

New Wilmington, Pennsylvania

Oct. 3, 1881 – Isaac Y. Byler, New Wilmington
May 12, 1887 – John B. Kurtz, Volant R3
Oct. 9, 1888 – Jacob S. Byler, New Wilmington
Sept. 23, 1891 – Mrs. Fannie Kurtz, New Wilmington
May 24, 1890 – Mrs. Anna M. Byler, New Wilmington
July 15, 1891 – Mrs. Jonathan D. Byler, New Wilmington
Dec. 12, 1892 – John E. Byler, New Wilmington
May 2, 1893 – Jonathan D. Byler, New Wilmington R1

Conewango Valley, New York

Oct. 2, 1889 – Ben Y. Yoder
Feb. 14, 1891 – Bishop Ben L. Shetler

Geauga County, Ohio

Miss Barbara N. Byler
Joe D. Byler
John J. Fisher
Miss Lizzie M. Hershberger
John Hostetler
Mrs. Jake E. (Mary Ann) Hostetler
Sam M. Hostetler
Deacon John Kurtz
Mrs. Jake J. (Mary) Mast
Mrs. Jake S. (Mattie) Mast
Mrs. Eli J. (Amanda) Miller
Eli P. Miller
John C. Miller
Jonathan P. Miller
Mrs. Eli P. (Katie) Miller
Mrs. Eli N. P. (Lizzie) Miller
Melvin A. Miller
Mrs. Jonathan P. (Nancy) Miller
Mrs. John C. (Sarah) Miller
Miss Susan A. Miller
Mrs. Eli N. (Susie) Miller
Jonas Schmucker
Mrs. Joe C. (Susan) Schmucker
Mrs. Monroe (MaryAnn) Schrock
John L. Shetler
Mrs. Jonas E. (Amanda) Stutzman
Mrs. Mose (LizzieAnn) Troyer
Mrs. Adam (Mary) Wengard
Noah M. Wengard

Holmes County, Ohio

May 27, 1881 – Susan, widow of Albert J. Schlabach Sugarcreek R1
July 15, 1882 – Emanuel B. Miller, Millersburg Star Rt.
Dec. 8, 1882 – Susan, widow of Mose D. Wengerd Millersburg R5
Feb. 10, 1883 – Mose J. Yoder, Millersburg R4
Mar. 11, 1883 – Andrew M. Kauffman, Millersburg R5
May 4, 1883 – Mary, widow of Dea. Levi D. Raber Millersburg R5

July 15, 1883 – Abe J. Yoder, Sugarcreek R2
Aug. 12, 1883 – Henry J. Raber, Millersburg Star Rt.
Nov. 25, 1883 – Emma, wife of Joe C. D. Miller Fredericksburg R2
Jan. 2, 1884 – Bishop Jacob J. Mast, Millersburg R5
Feb. 15, 1884 – John D. Troyer, Millersburg R4
Mar. 15, 1884 – Fannie, widow of Mose C. Yoder Millersburg R4
April 24, 1884 – Susan, widow of Sam D. Yoder Sugarcreek
April 24, 1884 – Lizzie, widow of Jacob P. Barkman Sugarcreek R1 (twin sisters)
Nov. 7, 1884 – Levi T. Weaver, Fredericksburg R2
Nov. 11, 1884 – Mose N. Yoder, Millersburg R5
1885 – Mary, widow of Daniel B. Miller
Sept. 14, 1885 – Martha, widow of Andrew J. Miller Charm, Ohio
Dec. 31, 1885 – William J. Mullet, Dundee R1
Oct. 23, 1886 – Mose J. Mast, Baltic, Ohio
April 9, 1887 – Noah J. Yoder, Baltic R1
July 18, 1887 – Susie, wife of Dan S. Hershberger
Sept. 15, 1887 – Lydia, wife of Daniel D. Swartzentruber, Dundee R1
Jan. 15, 1888 – Anna, widow of Abe C. Bontrager, Millersburg R4
Jan. 18, 1888 – Mary, wife of Mose J. Yoder, Millersburg R4
Feb. 1, 1888 – Dan S. Hershberger, Millersburg R4
June 4, 1888 – Susan, widow of Sam Yoder, Fredericksburg R2
June 22, 1888 – Mary, widow of Steve S. Miller, Millersburg Star Route
Oct. 11, 1888 – Jonathan Raber, Lakeville R1
Dec. 9, 1888 – Mattie, widow of Mike Kline, Millersburg R5
Jan. 6, 1889 – Lizzie, widow of Abe J. Mast, Millersburg R4
May 10, 1889 – Samuel J. Schlabach, Fredericksburg 1
Jan. 3, 1890 – Bishop Menno Schlabach
Jan. 3, 1890 – Susan, widow of Yost S. Miller Sugarcreek R2
Jan. 14, 1890 – Abe Kauffman, Sugarcreek, Ohio
Feb. 9, 1890 – Dea. Simon J. Beachy, Sugarcreek R1
Mar. 5, 1890 – Albert B. Yoder, Fredericksburg R2
Jan. 17, 1891 – Fred D. Yoder, Sugarcreek, Ohio
Jan. 21, 1891 – John E. Yoder, Fredericksburg R2
Mar. 2, 1891 – Eli D. Hershberger, Holmesville R1
Mar. 14, 1891 – Katie Ann, wife of Benj. J. Troyer Fredericksburg R2
June 3, 1891 – Mattie, widow of Andy Burkholder Millersburg R5
June 30, 1891 – Martin J. Hochstetler, Applecreek, O.
Aug. 13, 1891 – Michael J. Yoder, Dundee R2
Sept. 6, 1891 – Mary, widow of Harry Kauffman, Charm, Ohio
Sept. 30, 1891 – Mary, widow of Dan J. Schlabach, Fredericksburg R2
Nov. 22, 1891 – Sevilla, widow of Alfred C. Yoder Millersburg R5
Nov. 28, 1891 – Mary, widow of Levi Hershberger Millersburg Star Route
Dec. 8, 1891 – Sarah, widow of Eli J. Yoder Millersburg R5
Dec. 10, 1891 – Mose J. Keim, Fredericksburg R2
Jan. 26, 1892 – Lovina, widow of Abe M. Troyer Fredericksburg R2
Feb. 4, 1892 – Enos A. Miller, Baltic R1
Feb. 29, 1892 – Daniel D. Swartzentruber, Dundee R1
April 7, 1892 – Manasses J. Yoder, Fredericksburg R1
May 22, 1892 – Katie Ann, widow of Dan J. Hershberger, Sugarcreek R1
June 9, 1892 – Katie, widow of Eli J. Kurtz, Dundee
June 21, 1892 – Emma, widow of Ben J. Miller Millersburg Star Route
July 10, 1892 – Mary, widow of Amon B. Troyer, Sugarcreek, Ohio
July 27, 1892 – Adam E. Yoder, Millersburg Star Rt.
Oct. 25, 1892 – Amanda, wife of Eli T. Miller Millersburg R5
Dec. 12, 1892 – Benj. E. Troyer, Millersburg R4
Jan. 3, 1893 – Mary, wife of Enos A. Miller, Baltic R1
Jan. 14, 1893 – Lovina, widow of Eli L. Stutzman Fredericksburg R2
Feb. 2, 1893 – Jacob E. Hershberger, Applecreek R2
Feb. 16, 1893 – Emma, wife of Abe Kauffman, Sugarcreek, Ohio
Mar. 10, 1893 – Mattie, wife of Albert B. Yoder, Fredericksburg R2
Mar. 11, 1893 – Clara, wife of Mose J. Keim Fredericksburg R2
April 9, 1893 – Mary, wife of Jonathan Raber, Lakeville R1
April 9, 1893 – Elizabeth, wife of Martin J. Hochstetler, Applecreek, Ohio
June 20, 1893 – Christian C. Yoder, Millersburg R4
Aug. 5, 1893 – Mary, wife of John N. Hershberger Applecreek R1
Aug. 7 , 1893 – John N. Miller, Dundee R1
Aug. 25, 1893 – Sarah, widow of Mose S. Yoder, Wilmot, Ohio
Sept. 11, 1893 – Ammon S. Swartzentruber, Millersburg R3
Oct. 17, 1893 – Mattie, wife of Christian C. Yoder Millersburg R4
Nov. 24, 1893 – Jonas D. Yoder Millersburg R5
Dec. 8, 1893 – Elizabeth, widow of Rudy J. Yoder Sugarcreek R2
Dec. 12, 1893 – Mary Ann, wife of John E. Yoder Fredericksburg R2
Feb. 5, 1894 – Joas A. Troyer, Fredericksburg R2
April 4, 1894 – Lydiann, wife of Adam E. Yoder Millersburg Star Route
April 6, 1894 – Lizzie, widow of Emanuel Gingerich Millersburg R5
April 24, 1894 – Lizzie, widow of Jake Barkman
June 27, 1894 – Sarah, widow of Eli A. Miller, Millersburg R4
July 20, 1894 – Dan E. Hershberger, Millersburg R3
July 20, 1894 – Lovina, widow of Albert J. Troyer, Millersburg Star Route
Oct. 15, 1894 – Amanda, widow of Eli J. Hershberger Millersburg R5

SENIOR MEMBERS, Continued

Holmes County, Ohio, Continued

Nov. 8, 1894 – Eli J. Miller, Fredericksburg R2
Dec. 9, 1894 – Lydia, wife of Phineas M. Troyer Baltic R1
Dec. 17, 1894 – Abraham E. Miller, Winesburg, Ohio
Jan. 8, 1895 – Harvey J. Schlabach, Millersburg R5
Feb. 4, 1895 – Eli T. Miller, Millersburg R5
Feb. 14, 1895 – Dan J. W. Yoder, Millersburg R4
Feb. 20, 1895 – Rebecca, wife of Alvin J. Miller Sugarcreek R2
Mar. 15, 1895 – Harry E. Weaver, Wooster R3
April 9, 1895 – Annie, widow of Jacob E. Kline Millersburg R5
April 16, 1895 – Ada, wife of Jacob J. Chupp, Holmesville R1
May 27, 1895 – Benj. Troyer, Fredericksburg R2
June 5, 1895 – Lizzie, widow of Dea. John L. Raber Millersburg Star Route
June 27, 1895 – Jacob J. Chupp, Holmesville R1
July 9, 1895 – Joe C. D. Miller, Fredericksburg R2

Marriage Date Couples age 80 and over
Nov. 26, 1908 – Dan S. and Susie Hershberger Millersburg R4
Dec. 23, 1910 – Mose J. and Mary Yoder, Millersburg R4
Dec. 19, 1912 – Albert B. and Mattie Yoder, Fredericksburg R2
Dec. 4, 1913 – Martin J. and Elizabeth Hochstetler, Applecreek, Ohio
Jan. 15, 1914 – Daniel D. and Lydia Swartzentruber Dundee R1
Jan. 21, 1915 – Mose J. and Clara Keim, Fredericksburg R2
Jan. 27, 1915 – Adam E. and Lydiann Yoder, Millersburg Star Route
Jan. 11, 1916 – John E. and Mary Ann Yoder Fredericksburg R2
March 1917 – Jacob J. and Ada Marie Chupp Holmesville R1
Nov. 1, 1917 – Enos A. and Mary Miller, Baltic R1
Dec. 4, 1917 – Christian C. and Mattie Yoder, Millersburg R4
Feb. 4, 1919 – Joe C. D. and Emma Miller, Fredericksburg R2
Jan. 15, 1920 – Eli T. and Amanda Miller, Millersburg R5
Jan. 30, 1930 – Jonathan and Mary Raber, Lakeville R1
Aug. 12, 1962 – Abe and Emma Kauffman, Sugarcreek

Ashland, Ohio

Jan. 23, 1883 – John Keim, Ashland

Adams County, Indiana

Nov. 13, 1885 – Mrs. Christian Neuenschwander, Berne
June 17, 1887 – Mrs. Samuel J. Christner, Geneva R1
May 27, 1888 – Samuel J. Christner, Geneva R1
July 5, 1889 – Christian P. Neuenschwander, Berne
Sept. 20, 1890 – Mrs. Margaret P. Schwartz, Geneva R1
Nov. 22, 1890 – Mrs. Anna J. Schwartz, Berne R2
June 6, 1892 – Mrs. Barbara J. Eicher, Monroe R1
Dec. 7, 1893 – John J. Schwartz, Monroe R1
Dec. 8, 1893 – Joseph S. Schwartz, Monroe R1

Marriage Date Couples married 50 years or more
Oct. 12, 1907 – Samuel J. and Elizabeth (Miller) Christner, Geneva R1
Dec. 23, 1915 – Joseph L. and Elizabeth (Wickey) Schwartz, Monroe R1
Dec. 28, 1919 – Jacob L. and Mandy (Herschberger) Shetler, Monroe R1
Feb. 8, 1923 – John and Katie (Coblentz) Hilty, Geneva R2

LaGrange and Elkhart Counties, Indiana

Oct. 3, 1879 – Mrs. Abner (Barbara Yoder, Goshen
Mar. 8, 1881 – Menno Bontrager, Middlebury
April 16, 1882 – Mrs. Joe (Delilah) Bontrager, Millersburg R1
Jan. 29, 1883 – Mrs. Joseph (Fannie) Slabach, Middlebury R3
Feb. 8, 1883 – John I. Bontrager, Shipshewana
Dec. 12, 1883 – Mrs. Ed J. (Anna) Hochstetler, Howe
Mar. 23, 1884 – Mrs. Eli (Barbara) Hochstedler, Middlebury R3
June 4, 1884 – Jacob R. Miller, Middlebury R1
Feb. 10, 1885 – Dea. Mose F. Miller,Millersburg R1
May 22, 1886 – Andrew Eash, LaGrange
April 26, 1887 – Al J. Kaufman, Middlebury R1
May 10, 1887 – Mrs. Al J. (Clara) Kaufman, Middleb.
Dec. 16, 1887 – Osa Schlabach, Goshen R1
July 14, 1888 – David J. Kaufman, Shipshewana
Nov. 4, 1888 – Mrs. David R. (Lydia) Bontrager, Millersburg R1
Dec. 13, 1888 – Mrs. Henry (Susie) Miller, Topeka
April 18, 1889 – Mrs. Mose (Barbara) Glick, Topeka
July 20, 1889 – John I. Yoder, Middlebury R3
Sept. 4, 1889 – Mrs. Andy S. (Lydia) Miller, Middlebury R3
Sept. 5, 1889 – Samuel Barkman, LaGrange R4
Nov. 1, 1889 – Dea. Ervin J. Miller, Topeka R1
Nov. 3, 1889 – Dea. Menno E. Hershberger, Topeka
Feb. 24, 1890 – Dea. Levi B. Hostetler, Shipshewana
Mar. 4, 1890 – Mrs. Menno J. (Susie) Yoder, Topeka
Sept. 1, 1890 – Jacob S. Schlabach, Topeka
Nov. 18, 1890 – Bishop Dan B. Bontrager, LaGrange 4
Nov. 21, 1890 – Enos N. Mullet, Shipshewana R1
Dec. 29, 1890 – Mrs. Jacob (Lydian) Schrock, Middlebury R3
Feb. 17, 1891 – Dea. Sam J. Gingerich, Middlebury
Feb, 19, 1891 – Mrs. Jacob (Nora) Wingard, Middlebury R3
Mar. 15, 1891 – Minister Ira S. Miller, Goshen R1
Mar. 18, 1891 – Lawrence Yoder Middlebury
May 15, 1891 – Mrs. Benjamin A. (Anna) Raber, Topeka R1
Sept. 6, 1891 – Rudy J. Troyer, Middlebury R3
Oct. 20, 1891 – Levi M. J. Yoder, Shipshewana R1
Mar. 13, 1892 – Mrs. Christian (Mattie) Miller, Topeka
Mar. 24, 1892 – Amos S. Miller, Topeka
April 19, 1892 – John E. Miller, Topeka R1
July 13, 1892 – Harvey A. Miller, Middlebury
July 17, 1892 – Miss Susan S. Miller, Goshen
Aug. 6, 1892 – Mrs. Levi M. (Mary) Yoder, Shipshewana
Sept. 26, 1892 – John D. Miller, Goshen

Dec. 5, 1892 – Mrs. Jacob E. (Mary) Hochstetler Shipshewana R2
July 8, 1893 – Mrs. Menno S. (Sarah) Eash, Topeka R1
July 15, 1893 – Menno S. Beachy, Millersburg
Nov. 25, 1893 – Amos E. Yoder, Goshen
Dec. 8, 1893 – Mrs. Albert (Anna) Hochstetler, Topeka R2
Mar. 5, 1894 – Mrs. Daniel R. (Katie) Bontrager, Ligonier
Mar. 23, 1894 – Levi L. Bontrager, Topeka
April 3, 1894 – Jacob E. Hochstetler, Shipshewana R1
April 17, 1894 – Mrs. Jacob V. (Elizabeth) Lambright LaGrange R4
May 16, 1894 – Dea. Jonathan F. Miller, Shipshewana
May 18, 1894 – Mrs. Elmer E. (Lizzie Ann) Schrock LaGrange
June 23, 1894 – Mrs. Harry P. (Fannie) Miller, Goshen
July 3, 1894 – Miss Fannie S. Miller, Goshen
July 21, 1894 – Jacob J. Miller, LaGrange R4
Sept. 17, 1894 – Noah Hershberger, Topeka R2
Oct. 2, 1894 – Mrs. Abe (Barbara) Yoder, Shipshewana
Nov. 3, 1894 – Noah J. Fry, Topeka
Nov. 13, 1894 – Mrs. Ezra (Susie) Bontrager, Middlebury R3
Dec. 3, 1894 – David Mast, Middlebury R3
Dec. 4, 1894 – Mrs. Amos E. (Sarah) Yoder, Goshen
Dec. 20, 1894 – Mrs. William L. (Mattie) Bontrager, Shipshewana R1
Mar. 1, 1895 – Mrs. Levi B. (Lovina) Hostetler, Shipshewana R2
Mar. 27, 1895 – Albert J. Lehman, Wolcottville
June 11, 1895 – Mrs. Levi (Amanda) Wingard, Shipshewana R2
July 8, 1895 – Jacob S. Wickey, Shipshewana
July 21, 1895 – Mrs. David K. (Lydia) Bontrager, Shipshewana
Aug. 24, 1895 – Mrs. Dan J. (Lydia) Schrock, LaGrange
Sept. 22, 1895 – Pre. (Blind) David A. Beachy, Topeka
Dec. 20, 1895 – Daniel C. Beechy

Marriage Date Couples Married 50 Years or More

Nov. 26, 1908 – Al J. and Clara (Miller) Kaufman Middlebury
Jan. 8, 1914 – Amos E. and Sarah (Schrock) Yoder, Goshen
Jan. 28, 1915 – Albert J. and Anna (Hochstetler) Lehman, Wolcottville
Feb. 27, 1916 – Harvey E. and Carrie (Stethen) Miller, Middlebury
Nov. 8, 1916 – William D. and Susie (Yoder) Yoder, Topeka R1
Feb. 15, 1917 – David J. and Susie (Mast) Mast, Middlebury R1
Dec. 13, 1917 – Menno S. and Elizabeth (Yoder) Beachy, Millersburg R1
Jan. 10, 1918 – Amos S. and Edna (Yoder) Miller, Topeka R2
Jan. 24, 1918 – Jacob E. and Mary (Christner) Hochstetler, Shipshewana R2
Jan. 31, 1918 – Levi D. and Amelia (Lehman) Mast, Topeka R1
Feb. 13, 1919 – William S. and Edna Mae (Miller) Miller, LaGrange
Feb. 27, 1919 – Ezra L. and Susie (Lehman) Bontrager Middlebury R1
Mar. 13, 1919 – Daniel C. and Susie (Miller) Beachy, Millersburg
Nov. 13, 1919 – John A. and Anna (Frey) Beachy, Topeka
Dec. 4, 1919 – Manas C. and Mary (Christner) Hochstetler, Millersburg
Dec. 25, 1919 – Cornelius D. and Fannie (Bontrager) Troyer, Topeka
Jan. 29, 1920 – Noah and Mary (Whetstone) Hershberger, Topeka
Feb. 12, 1920 – Dan J. and Lydia (Miller) Schrock, LaGrange
Oct. 13, 1921 – Mose D. and Lucy (Graber) Bontrager, Middlebury
Nov. 12, 1921 – Tobias J. and Lizzie (Troyer) Lambright, Topeka
Jan. 15, 1922 – Henry and Sovilla (Weirich) Hochstetler, Middlebury
Mar. 2, 1922 – Perry M. and Anna (Miller) Yoder, Shipshewana
Nov. 28, 1922 – Abe S. and Leah (Lambright) Mast, Ligonier
Nov. 30, 1922 – Eli J. and Anna (Christner) Troyer, LaGrange
Feb. 27, 1923 – Chris L. and Alma (Eash) Miller, Topeka
June 24, 1923 – Eli A. and Anna (Yoder) Bontrager, Shipshewana
Jan. 3, 1924 – Bishop Joe S. K. and Katie (Yoder) Bontrager, Middlebury
Jan. 3, 1924 – Bishop Eli S. and Sarah (Hershberger) Lehman, LaGrange
May 15, 1924 – Jacob S. and Wilma (Troyer) Miller, Wolcottville
July 27, 1924 – Levi J. and Susie (Schrock) Christner Wolcottville

Nappanee, Indiana area

Men

Jan. 18, 1881 – Eli S. Schmucker, Nappanee R3
Feb. 7, 1883 – Manesses I. Hochstetler, Nappanee R2
Feb. 7, 1883 – Manasses A. Miller, Logensport, Ind.
Feb. 21, 1883 – Tobias J. Slabaugh, Nappanee R2
Nov. 21, 1888 – Min. Andrew Miller, Nappanee R2
Oct. 13, 1889 – David J. Borkholder, Nappanee R3
Dec. 12, 1890 – Bishop John L. Schwartz, Nappanee R2
Oct. 18, 1891 – Levi C. Hochstetler, Nappanee R4
May 1, 1892 – Menno W. Yoder, Nappanee R2
July 20, 1892 – Min. John M. Miller, Nappanee R3
May 24, 1893 – Elmer B. Troyer, Nappanee R2

Women

Oct. 24, 1887 – Mrs. Benedict B. (Mattie) Mullet, Milford R2
Nov. 18, 1888 – Mrs. Andrew (Lizzie) Miller, Nappanee
Sept. 5, 1889 – Mrs. Noah J. (Lizzie) Borkholder, Nappanee R3
Oct. 10, 1891 – Mrs. Ira C. (Catherine) Hochstetler, Bremen R1
May 28, 1892 – Mrs. John A. (Fannie) Hochstetler, Nappanee R4

SENIOR MEMBERS, Continued

Nappanee, Indiana, Continued

Nov. 6, 1893 – Mrs. Levi J. (Emma) Hochstetler, Nappanee R2
June 20, 1894 – Mrs. John C. (Susan) Chupp, Nappanee

Marriage Date Couples Married 50 Years or More
1912 – Andrew and Lizzie (Troyer) Miller, Nappanee R2, c/o Owen Miller
Jan. 23, 1916 – John A. and Fannie (Miller) Hochstetler, Nappanee R4
Nov. 9, 1916 – Levi J. and Emma (Miller) Hochstetler Nappanee R2
Dec. 6, 1917 – John M. and Anna (Miller) Miller, Nappanee R2
April 4, 1918 – Menno W. and Malinda (Miller) Yoder, Nappanee R2
Feb. 1, 1920 – Eli J. and Sara (Miller) Hochstetler, Nappanee R2
Dec. 12, 1920 – Mose W. and Barbara (Bender) Yoder, Nappanee R3
Nov. 21, 1921 – Henry H. and Lydia Ann (Hoshstetler) Helmuth, Nappanee R3
Dec. 21, 1922 – Peter J. and Emma (Mullet) Graber, Etna Green R1
Jan. 3, 1924 – Eli J. and Lydia Ann (Stutzman) Mast, Nappanee R4
Feb. 21, 1924 – Uriah A. and Lizzie (Slabaugh) Mast Etna Green R1
Dec. 7, 1924 – Emanuel L. and Rosa (Hochstetler) Burkholder, Etna Green R1
Feb. 19, 1925 – Joseph J. and Amelia (Schmucker) Yoder, Nappanee R2

Arthur, Illinois

Aug. 29, 1880 – David A. Troyer
June 14, 1881 – Mrs. Ben (Katie) Yoder
Dec. 12, 1886 – Mrs. Ammon B. (Mattie) Miller
Feb. 27, 1887 – Mrs. Sam N. (Fannie) Beachy
1888 – Mrs. Joni (Mary Plank
July 18, 1888 – Eli M. Otto
Sept. 17, 1889 – Mrs. Mike (Minnie) Schrock
July 14, 1890 – Mrs. John (Katie) Mast
Mar. 6, 1891 – Mrs. Jonas (Sadie) Mast
Aug. 25, 1892 – Miss Anna D. Beachy
Sept. 20, 1892 – Levi B. Miller
Nov. 14, 1892 – Mrs. Eli (Fannie) Otto
Jan. 12, 1893 – Mrs. Jeff (Rebecca) Kaufman
Jan. 16, 1893 – Mrs. Dan E. (Susan) Otto
July 23, 1893 – Mrs. David (Anna) Troyer
Aug. 17, 1893 – Mrs. William B. Schrock
Feb. 4, 1894 – Eli D. Yoder
Mar. 30, 1894 – Bishop Obed Diener
June 7, 1894 – Mrs. Obed (Anna) Diener
Aug. 16, 1894 – Min. Jeff G. Kaufman
Oct. 18, 1894 – Noah J. Helmuth
Aug. 23, 1895 – Jacob E. Hershberger

Marriage Date Married 50 Years or More
Dec. 7, 1916 – Obed and Anna H. (Mast Diener
Feb. 16, 1917 – Jeff G. and Rebecca S. (Miller) Kaufman
Jan. 30, 1919 – Simeon S. and Fannie (Stutzman) Yutzy
Oct. 23, 1919 – Jacob E. and Katie (Diener) Hershberger
Sept. 2, 1920 – Levi G. and Carrie (Kaufman) Miller
Jan. 25, 1921 – Menno A. and Barbara C. (Gingerich) Diener
Mar. 17, 1921 – Aaron A. and Lena G. (Kaufman) Miller
Mar. 26, 1922 – Joel A. and Katieann (Schlabaugh) Kaufman
Jan. 25, 1923 – Chris J. and Edna (Bontrager) Helmuth
Oct. 18, 1923 – Herbert G. and Nancy J. (Kaufman) Miller
Dec. 20, 1923 – Adlai B. and Katie H. (Mast) Miller

Hutchinson, Kansas

Sept. 10, 1891 – Sam Beachy
Jan. 24, 1892 – William Miller
Dec. 24, 1892 – Mrs. William (Sarah) Miller

Garnett, Kansas

Jan. 7, 1885 – Barbara, widow of Bish. John A. Yoder
Sept. 30, 1887 – Joni A. Yoder, Welda, Kansas
– Mrs. Joni A. Yoder

Haven, Kansas

July 30, 1890 – Mrs. Betsy Miller, c/o Joe Petersheim
Jan. 8, 1891 – Pre. David K. Bontrager
Jan. 27, 1893 – Sam J. Petersheim
Sept. 30, 1893 – Mrs. Sam J. (Lizzie) Petersheim
Dec. 7, 1893 – Mrs. Deemy Schrock, c/o Eli H. Bontrager
Oct. 14, 1894 – Mrs. David K. (Mary) Bontrager

Clark, Missouri

Aug. 13, 1890 – Elizabeth, widow of Edward Petersheim
Sept. 6, 1894 – John Y. Miller
May 14, 1900 – Mary (Bontrager) Miller, Married Oct. 31, 1920

Pike County, Missouri

June 13, 1892 – Harve D. Yoder
Feb. 7, 1894 – Moses J. Burkholder
Aug. 21, 1894 – Mrs. Moses (Maryann) Burkholder
Dec. 3, 1894 – Mrs. Lydia Mast
June 11, 1895 – Pre. Phenas M. Borntrager
Oct. 4, 1895 – Mrs. Elizabeth Schwartz

Married 50 Years
Nov. 18, 1915 – Moses and Maryann Burkholder
May 29, 1919 – Sam R. and Lizzie (Yoder) Borntrager
Jan. 1, 1925 – George D. and Lovina E. (Borntrager) Yoder
Feb. 3, 1925 – Joni E. and Lizzie J. (Stutzman) Bontrager

Buchanan County, Iowa

May 7, 1886 – Mrs. Noah (Lovina) Plank
Dec. 18, 1890 – Mrs. Amos A. J. (Fannie) Yoder

Johnson County, Iowa

June 25, 1886 – Pre. Benedict T. Yoder
July 14, 1886 – Mrs. John S. (Mary) Yoder
Dec. 13, 1886 – Mrs. Enos (Annie) Yoder
Feb. 8, 1887 – John D. Gingerich

Sept. 1, 1887 – Pre. Chris B. Miller
Mar. 4, 1889 – Mrs. Dora Weaver
Dec. 23, 1889 – Mrs. Menno (Katie) Mast
Nov. 8, 1890 – Mrs. Adam (Annie) Miller
May 6, 1891 – Mrs. Benedict T. Yoder
May 18, 1891 – Mrs. Jonas (Lena) Yoder
Oct. 18, 1891 – Dennis J. Miller
Mar. 18, 1892 – Miss Lydia Bender
May 8, 1892 – Mrs. Menno I. Miller
Aug. 16, 1892 – Andy Beachy
Aug. 18, 1892 – Mrs. Bishop Ira (Ada) Nissley
Nov. 29, 1892 – Menno I. Miller
July 23, 1893 – Mrs. Fred Yoder
Nov. 26, 1893 – Fred Yoder
Dec. 20, 1893 – Mrs. A. J. (Ella) Beachy
Jan. 14, 1895 – Mrs. Andy Beachy

Tavistock, Ontario, Canada
Feb. 11, 1895 – Rachel, widow of Jonas Stoltzfus
Born in Lancaster County, Pa.

Norwich, Ontario
Feb. 10, 1891 – Dan D. Stutzman, Norwich R1
Jan. 22, 1894 – Mrs. Emanuel (Annie) Miller, Norwich1

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE JOHANNES OR HANS AND ANNA LANTZ FAMILY

By Amos L. Fisher

As you noticed in the April issue of The Diary there was an introduction of the Lantz Family. In the old Lantz Book, published in 1931 and compiled by Jacob W. Lantz of Cedar Springs, Virginia, he has a very good publication of several Lantz families. He published his book without any copyright and reserved no rights, in hoping that in the future someone will take the time and revise or improve the whole volume. Perhaps it would be proper at this time to publish part of a letter he got from Professor Otto Manker of the University of Munichen in Germany in 1929 concerning the origin of the name Lantz, which appeared as early as 1486 as Landsknecht and by the sixteenth century it was abbreviated to Lands and Lantz. He claims the Lantz family is of German stock but some came from the city of Speyer in Bavaria on the Rhine. Some Lantz families had set foot on American soil as early as 1710, and from that time on till 1769 there came to America the following by the name of Lantz: Johannes, Jacob, John, Jacob, Nicholas, Johannas, Andres, Philip, Martin, Hans, Balam, and Aspah.

We will continue with the family of Johannes or Hans Lantz, who came to this country Sept. 15, 1749 on the ship Phoenix at Philadelphia. He, with his wife Anna, moved with other Amish to Penn Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, a few miles north of Bernville. In 1788 they moved south to Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County where they purchased a land tract of 180 acres where Jacob and Benuel Kings now live. Here (1) Johannes Lantz lived till he died in 1789. To them were born six known children–namely, Christian, John, Jacob, Samuel who had preceded his father in death, Peter, and Henry.

(2) Christian Lantz (1), born in Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County, married first to Barbara Kurtz, a daughter of Deacon John or Hannes and Elizabeth (Reickenbach) Kurtz of the Northkill settlement of Berks County. The name of his second wife is unknown, his last wife was Catharine. There were four children born by his first wife and six from his last marriage. In the early 1790's he moved with his family to Mifflin County where he was killed between 1806 and 1810 by a limb of a tree falling upon him. The oldest of the children was (3) Anna Lantz (2), born Feb. 1, 1778 in Berks County, died Feb. 11, 1868 in Fairfield County, Ohio at ninety years of age. She married to David Zook, a son of Christian and Barbara (Kurtz) Zook. They lived in Mifflin County till sometime between 1830 and 1840 when they moved to Fairfield County, Ohio with some of their family. He was ordained a minister either in Mifflin County or soon after their arrival at Fairfield County. Their oldest child was (4) Solomon Zook (3), born Oct. 16, 1803, married to Mattie Yoder; next was (5) Christian Zook (3), born in 1805, married to Barbara Miller; (6) David Zook (3), born in 1807, married to Barbara King; (7) Jonathan Zook (3), born in 1809, married to Nancy King, he was ordained minister and also bishop at Fairfield County, Ohio and was the last of the Amish settlers to leave Fairfield County, and moved to Holmes County, Ohio where he died; (8) Samuel Zook (3), born in 1811, married to Elizabeth Yoder; (9) Lydia Zook (3), born in 1813, married to Joseph Kurtz, he was also ordained to the ministry in Fairfield County and later moved to Elkhart County, Indiana where he died; (10) Sarah Zook (3), born in 1815, married to Joseph King, son of Preacher Christian King (son of the immigrant Samuel King), who was also an early settler of Fairfield County; (11) Jacob Zook (3), born in 1817, married to Leah Stutzman.

(12) Fanny Lantz (2), born June 20, 1791 in Berks County, Pennsylvania, died Nov. 7, 1867, married to David Hertzler, born March 1, 1789 in Berks County, died in 1855. They also moved to Fairfield County, Ohio. Their family was Jonas Hertzler of Pana, Illinois; Nancy Hertzler married to Joseph Smucker, son of Christian and Fanny (Livingood) Smucker; Solomon Hertzler, unmarried, of Champaign County; Levi Hertzler and Lydia Hertzler, unmarried.

(13) Christian Lantz (2), born Nov. 12, 1781, married to Maria Hertzler, born May 25, 1781 in Berks County, died in 1859 near Danvers, Illinois. They had seven children–namely, (14) Jonathan Lantz (13), born in Mifflin County in 1804, died July 30, 1885, married to Anna Yoder, born in 1804 in Pennsylvania, died in 1852; their children are (15) Gideon Lantz (14), born in Wayne County, Ohio Aug. 13, 1830, died in 1915, married to Catharine Yoder, born in Centre County, Pennsylvania in 1836, died in 1891. They at one time lived in McLean County, Illinois, and in 1877 they moved to Oregon. They had a family of sixteen children of wnom only five were married–namely, Mary, Levi, Elmer, Milo, Barbara, and Samuel Lantz who stayed in Oregon, and (16) Anna Lantz

(15), born in McLean County, Illinois in 1857, married to Daniel D. Yoder, born in 1856, died in 1921, son of David and Catharine (Hochstetler) Yoder of Aurora, West Virginia. Daniel was an Amish minister of that place. The oldest of their children was (17) Mary Yoder (16), born at Arthur, Illinois Aug. 14, 1878, married to Gideon Bender, son of William and Susan (Petersheim) Bender. They moved from Somerset County to Dover, Delaware. There is a large offspring of this family among the Amish at Dover, Delaware; Catlett, Virginia; Oakland, Maryland and other places, including Sarah Bender married to Simon Byler a minister at Catlett, Virginia and their daughter Mary, married to Preacher Leroy Yoder of Dover, Delaware, also Rudolph Byler a minister in the Beachy Church in Union County, Pennsylvania.

(18) Matilda Yoder (16), born in 1880 in Oregon, married to Noah Lee, born at Arthur, Illinois in 1878. Their children include Sarah Lee, the first wife of Pre. Norman Swartzentruber of Dover, Delaware; Daniel Lee of Somerset County; John Lee who married to Mary King of Lancaster County, now living in Franklin County, Pennsylvania; Elmer and Albert of Somerset; and Elizabeth Lee, married to Enos Peachey, jeweler, of Mifflin County, Pennsylvania.

(19) Elmer D. Yoder (16), born in 1882 at Molalla, Oregon, married to Annie Tice. (20) Ira D. Yoder (16), born in 1886, married to Susan J. Brenneman of Grantsville, Maryland. He married second to Mary Slabaugh, born at Yoder, Kansas in 1894. Their oldest child was (21) Jonas Yoder (20) of Dover, Delaware, a minister of that place; and also his three sons, John who is bishop, Leroy and Elmer, ministers of the same place. The others of Ira Yoder's children are Milo Yoder, married first to Ada, daughter of Bishop Eli Miller, second to Rebecca Stoltzfus of Oakland, Maryland; Daniel Yoder; Iddo Yoder; Noah I. Yoder, married to Elizabeth Stoltzfus, minister in the Beachy Church at Union County, Pennsylvania; Harvey Yoder and Gideon Yoder, all of whom at one time lived in Oakland, Maryland; Somerset, Pennsylvania and Dover, Delaware.

(22) Olive D. Yoder (16), born in 1888 at Grantsville, Maryland, married to Gideon Brenneman, minister; Olive married second to Korie Peachey. They raised a large family in Somerset County, Pennsylvania and Garrett County, Maryland. Several of these descendants are in the ministry including Bishop Simon Brenneman of Ashland County, Ohio. (231 Iddo Yoder (16), born in 1889 in Garrett County, Maryland, married Effie Yoder, born at Aurora, West Virginia.

Other children of Jonathan Lantz were (24) Jonathan Jr. (14), married to Elizabeth Christner; (25) Jacob F. Lantz (14), married Rebecca Yoder of Danvers, Illinois; (26) Lydia Lantz (14), married to Jacob H. Zook, Mifflin County, Pennsylvania; (27) Jephthah Lantz (14)' married to Mary E. Yoder; they moved from Fairfield County, Ohio to Danvers, Illinois.

Another child of Christian Lantz of family No. 13 was Levi Lantz, married to Barbara Yoder who died in McPherson County, Kansas.

Another child of Christian and Barbara (Kurtz) Lantz of family No. 2 was (28) Jacob Lantz (2), born July 25, 1784. His wife's name is unknown at this time, but had several children: David died unmarried when a young man; Absolom Lantz of Creslin, Iowa; Nancy married a man by the name of Burns; Samuel Lantz, born in 1847, married to Katie Yoder; Jacob Lantz; a daughter married to a Miller; and another daughter married to a Stutzman.

(29) Barbara Lantz (2), born July 2, 1794, died in 1860. She married to John Plank, born Aug. 3, 1793, died in 1868, son of Christian and Barbara (Yoder) Plank. Their children are Christian Plank, unmarried; Samuel Plank, born in 1821, married to Catharine Yoder; Lydia Plank, born in 1824, married to Elias Yoder; Catharine Plank, married to Joseph Kauffman; Nancy Plank, born in 1829, married to Christian Hooley; John Plank Jr., married to Samantha Emmeet; Isaac Plank, married to Mary Kauffman; Solomon Plank, married to Virginia McGilvary.

Another child of Christian Lantz was (30) John Lantz (2), born June 26, 1797, died and is buried in Illinois, married to Magdalena Yoder, born in 1797, died in 1834 at Allensville. In the spring of 1849 John Lantz emigrated to Woodford County, Illinois. The family and goods were carried in a section boat from Lewistown, Pennsylvania on the canal westward to the foot of the Alleghany Mountains. Here the sections were taken apart, each section was loaded on a truck built for the purpose. The sections were thus transported across the mountains where the pieces were again assembled and the journey continued to Pittsburgh. Here passengers and cargo were taken on an Ohio River boat and the journey continued to St. Louis, where they were again transferred to an Illinois River steamboat and taken up the river to Pekin, Illinois. From here they journeyed overland to Woodford County where they settled (ref. Lantz Book).

The eldest daughter never left Pennsylvania. She was (31) Lydia Lantz (30), born Dec. 15, 1824, died July 18, 1890, married to David Peachey, ordained minister, son of Abraham and Magdalena (Zook) Peachey. There were no children born to this union. (32) Joseph Lantz (30), born in 1827, died in 1861 in McLean County, Illinois, married to Catharine Kistler. (33) Simeon Lantz (30), born in 1829, died in 1895 at Carlock, Illinois. His death was caused by falling from a load of hay. He married to Mary Plank of Wooster, Ohio, and was a pioneer farmer and stockman of McLean County, Illinois. They had nine children. (34) Leah Lantz (30), born in 1831, married to Jacob Summers. No children were born to this union. (35) Magdalena Lantz (30), born in 1834, died in 1912, married to Solomon Beiler Hertzler, born in 1835 in Belleville, Pennsylvania. He was a son of Yost and Elizabeth (Beiler) Hertzler. They lived at Sterling, Ohio. After the death of John Lantz's wife, Mary Plank, he remarried to Sarah Hostetler. To this union were born three children.

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CONTENTMENT
HOMESTEAD OF JACOB HERTZLER
FIRST AMISH BISHOP IN AMERICA
MIGRATED FROM SWITZERLAND
1749
NORTHKILL AMISH BURIAL GROUND

The Hertzler Family

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It is known however that there were many notable subjects among our Hertzlers in the Amish or Old Order Church over the years. Christian, the son of immigrant Jacob, was the first deacon in the Conestoga Valley. Another Christian Hertzler, a grandson of the above Christian, was a minister in the Conestoga from 1851 to 1878. He was an active delegate of the Ohio and Mifflin County "Dienerversammlung" during the 1860-70 crisis. He died about one year after the 1877 split. Samuel Hertzler, already mentioned, served his ministry in the Middle Pequea District from 1865 to 1878. Jacob Hertzler, a grandson of John and great-grandson of our immigrant, was an early minister in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. According to the writing of Joseph E. Peachey of Belleville, Pennsylvania, a Jacob C. Hertzler was ordained in Juniata County and served as minister in the valley. Perhaps there were more ordained Hertzlers in the Big Valley and vicinity that go beyond our records.

Name Spellings

To our knowledge there are only two American spellings to this name. According to the Strassberger-Hinke, Vol. 1, page 396, our Jacob signed his name Hertzler. The Silas Hertzler index lists about half of the paternal lines as Hartzler. Where and when this change took place we are unable to trace.

The Hertzlers in Europe

The Hertzler name in the Anabaptist era or in the Mennonine field in Europe is rare indeed. It is hard to anticipate the origin of the name in Switzerland. Six of our Anabaptist history books do not even mention the name in Europe. The Mennonite Encyclopedia does not refer to this name until Jacob is in America. The Mennonitisches Lexicon does say that in the Rhinepfalz the Hertzler family name is quite familiar today. A recent J. Virgil Miller, now in Saudi Arabia, who has done extensive research on Amish family names in Germany, quotes that Jacob Hertzler has lived at Friesenheim and Gronau near Mannheim in 1717 and 1738. If this is our Jacob, which is highly probable since so few Hertzlers seem to exist, we have evidence that Jacob has fled the bonds of the regime in Switzerland while yet single with a major movement from Switzerland to the Pfalz in 1711 with his parents, or it was not unusual for them to go with friends or neighbors as a child or with minor movements of 1715 or 1717 when he was approaching maturity. Either way, he may have joined the Amish church near Mannheim, and in later years to find a wife in this congregation.

From a Karlsruhe list, also a J. Virgil Miller find, we have John Hertzler of Eppstein in the household in 1759 which may be the son of Jacob since he does not appear again and he came to America in 1750. He may have been married in Europe. On this list is also a Rudolf Hertzler in 1743 at Eusserthal and again listed in 1768 at Stockwieserhof. In 1759 a Jacob Hertzler is listed at Alsheim.

The Strassburger–Hinke index lists only one Hertzler family. The names Hertzel and Hartzel are much more numerous. Since the name Hertzler was also written Hartzel in the Jacob Hertzler bible of the third generation it does make a person wonder if these names were in common to some extent.

The Hertzlers in America

Jacob Hertzler came to America in 1749, in the ship St. Andrews, landed at Philadelphia September 9th. Other family members listed are his son Jacob. Since the women are not listed we only assume that his wife, Catherine Ruegy (being his second wife), and their daughter Fannie, were also aboard. In the same sense we believe that their son Christian, a minor, was also aboard. Jacob's eldest son, John, is not listed until the next year, on the ship Brotherhood. On this ship there was a Hans Hertzel and a Hans Yost Hertzer.

Jacob and Catherine Hertzler chose a tract in Bern Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, about two miles west of the present town of Hamburg, as a dwelling place for the family. They both died there and are buried in the Hertzler homestead cemetery.

We have one other Hertzler family and this may account for the Hertzers and Hertzels on the Brotherhood ship list. If they were related we do not know but it is possible. We assume the latter were Mennonites. From Lancaster County court house records, Book D, page 482, we have a Jacob Hertzler, a weaver by trade, in Salford Township, Philadelphia County, who has in 1758 purchased a tract of 400 acres in Donegal Township, Lancaster County from James Logan and James Letort, jointly with Christian Graff. Land joiners to this tract of land were Christian Lehman, Christian Stouffer, Peter Hoffman and Daniel Hoffman, and the Susquehanna River was adjoining to the west. This Jacob Hertzler estate was settled in 1795, they now lived in Hempfield Township, Lancaster County. John Hertzler, the only son, was a minor, John Newcomer was appointed his guardian. The remainder of the estate went to John Hollinger, Andrew Garber, and Christian Bachman who were sons-in-law. The widow Elizabeth Hertzler was the executor.

To be continued

Joseph F. Beiler

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

The Hertzler–Hartzler Family

Perhaps the Hertzler family has received more publicity and as a nationwide recognition it will challenge all other Amish family names. This family has been so much talked about, so thoroughly discussed in social gatherings and family visits, and so much read about that even many children will know that Jacob Hertzler was the first Amish bishop in America. As early as 1884 a complete genealogical family history of Jacob Hertzler was published, by John Hertzler Jr. of Port Royal, Pennsylvania, and since then many nationwide reunions were conducted, presenting more speeches, more addresses which directed more attention to the Hertzler descendants than any other Amish forebearer in America. In the year 1900 a fund raising campaign was organized which issued a letter to the descendants of Jacob Hertzler to erect a marker at his grave site, which had until then been neglected. The response was so good that by the end of 1901 contributions were sufficient to place a granite memorial in the Hertzler graveyard in honor of Jacob Hertzler.

By 1949 two hundredth anniversary reunions were held. In 1952 a new Hertzler–Hartzler family history was published by Silas Hertzler of Baldwin, Maryland, later of Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana. This publication was quite complete with 8,775 family entries plus statistical information and thirteen tables of breakdown data of his studies concerning size of families, resident locations in counties, states, and counties in North America, also including occupational and denominational tables. This is invaluable information of the past and present to genealogical scholars. In fact the Hertzler family story is so well done that it may seem needless to many readers to write anymore. But since then over two decades have elapsed, a new generation has sprung, so that a new look at the story may well be feasible.

The Jacob Hertzler Homestead received state recognition, a roadside plaque was erected by the Pennsylvania Historical Museum Commission in the 1940's, and is now registered as a state historical site. As an Amish forefather in America, Jacob Hertzler is alone to receive so many state and national honors.

In spite of the vast recognition and honors that were displayed to Jacob Hertzler, the family name itself has dwindled at an alarming rate the last century in the Old Order Church to whom he was a bishop, a pioneer, and a leader. As we refer to the Silas Hertzler book, Table V, we note that in 1962 there were 1,130 Old Order families. There is no breakdown on paternal lines but according to our records there was only one remaining Old Order family at that time (No. 2166). Although he had then five married sons listed, namely Samuel Hertzler, born near Ronks, Pennsylvania and died near Mechanicsville, Maryland. His grandfather was a minister in the Pequea. He had only one son, David, who had two sons, Samuel and Jacob. Jacob died without male kin, leaving Samuel alone for a time. He has been blessed with eight sons, six of these have grown to manhood and these all have male bearing descendants, to date all within Old Order congregations. Among these are two ministers in Ontario, Canada and one bishop in Paraguay, South America. So now the Amish Church has again a Hertzler bishop, a pioneer in South America.

The maternal Hertzler lines are of equal interest. If there were over eleven hundred families in 1962 there could well be over 2500 families now. East of the Susquehanna they will be found in family names as Allgyer, Beiler, Blank, Esh, Fisher, Flaud, Glick, Kauffman, King, Kinsinger, Lantz, Lapp, Miller, Petersheim, Riehl, Smoker, Stoltzfus, Swarey, and Zook. West of the Susquehanna the family names are Bawell, Beachy, Bender, Berkey, Bontrager, Brenneman, Byler, Detweiler, Farmwald, Fisher, Frey, Garber, Gingerich, Hershberger, Hochstetler, Kanagy, Kauffman, Kinsinger, Kurtz, Mast, Miller, Nisley, Renno, Schlabach, Schmucker, Stutzman, Troyer, Yoder, and Zook.

By far more of the Jacob Hertzler descendants will be found among the Yoders, Bylers, and Beilers than any other family name, even more than the Hertzler or Hartzler name itself.

According to the Silas Hertzler book (1962) table by far more of the Hertzler descendants have lived in Pennsylvania than any other place. Next were Ohio, Indiana, Kansas, Iowa, Missouri, California, Illinois, Michigan, and Oregon. Every state of the union had at least one family, as well as many provinces of Canada, Central America, South America, some countries of Europe, Asia, and Africa. Table IV of this book lists 3,958 farmers. Table V shows that 2,184 were Mennonites, 1,195 were Amish Mennonites, and 65 families were Conservatives.

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OKLA. BOY DROWNED IN FARM POND

Lester D., age 13, son of Nelson and Ida (Miller) Yoder of Mayes County, Okla., drowned in a farm pond on Sunday, July 6th. He, with a few other boys, had gone swimming when, for no apparent reason, he sank, and rose no more. The other boys were all quite a bit younger than Lester, hence were unable to rescue him. He was found in about eight feet of water but it took fully two hours to summon help and find him.

(See obituary)

COMMUNITY NOTES – Conewango Valley, N. Y.

The house of Sam D. and Naomi (C. (Kauffman) Miller partly burned on July 10th. The fire started when heating water to wash. Five fire companiesresponded. The living room and bedroom were saved although badly damaged by smoke and water. The kitchen, pantry, porch, and wash house were destroyed. The house has since been rebuilt, and are at present painting the inside.

A severe thunder storm passed through this area on Thursday, July 24th. Ada, wife of John B. Detweiler, was severely shocked when lightning struck their house. One of her toes had the flesh stripped off which flew off and pasted to the wall. She was taken to the hospital and had her toe bone removed, returned home Saturday and had to stay in bed. Her leg is also black and blue. Damage to the house was mostly the chimney, also a hole in the wall.

LANCASTER CO., PA. WASHHOUSE FIRE

David B. and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Witmer Rd., Lancaster, had fire in their washhouse, Thursday, July 10, which burned the kitchen cabinets badly enough that they had to put new ones in. The washhouse also had to be replaced. His wife used kerosene to start fire to heat water and the kerosene exploded. With the help of kind neighbors and friends, a lot of work was done the next day.

PA. MAN STUNG BY BEES

David S. Stoltzfus, 37, Gap R1, was stung by bees Monday, July 14, so that he had to be taken to the hospital by ambulance. He was given shots and came home again the same day. The Pequea Creek had overflowed its banks and David went to check eight or ten beehives near the creek. The water was up to the beehives so David hitched two mules to his wagon and set the hives on the wagon. The bees attacked the mules andalso a herd of cows which were feeding nearby. The mules atarted running and the cows took to the water. After taking care of the mules and seeing about the cows David collapsed from the bee stings and excitement. The mules were treated by a veterinarian. A storm had passed through the area Wednesday, July 9, dumping two inches of rain in 20 minutes, then Sunday, the 13th, two more inches fell causing the Pequea to overflow.

GEAUGA CO., OHIO ACCIDENT

David, age 6, son of Allen E. and Lizzie (Mullet) Fisher, met with a painful accident while his father was unloading hay with a winch. David stepped over a shaft to operate the winch when his pant leg caught on a set screw, pulling his pant leg tight and the set screw grinding and chewing on flesh and bone above the ankle till his father was able to get off the load and shut off the winch. He was hospitalized a week or so and is at home now. His leg is still draining but is getting better. A piece of bone was found near the winch after the boy had left for the hospital.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Camden, Michigan

Barbara, age 2, daughter of Jonas and Mary (Eicher) Graber, was taken to the Foote Hospital in Jackson, Michigan on Sunday, July 20, with a badly fractured elbow. She was hit by a swing. She was in traction for five days and is now wearing a cast.

"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen".. Mark 10:14

BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Benjamin S. (Katie Stoltzfoos) Drumore R1
a son STEVIE,

BEILER, Christian K. (Nancy Lantz) Gordonville R1
a daughter FANNIE, July 22

BEILER, Jacob L. (Emma King) Paradise R1
a daughter LYDIA K., July 16

BEILER, John K. (Lydia L. Fisher) Narvon R2
a son DANIEL F., July 6

EBERSOL, Leon F. (Nancy Stoltzfus) Narvon R2
a son AMOS THOMAS, July 30

ESH, Jonathan S. (Annie Beiler) Christiana R1
a daughter MARY B., July 27

ESH, Samuel (Elizabeth Fisher) 197 Maple Ave.,
Leola, a son EPHRAIM F., July 12

ESH, Stephen (Rachel King) Gordonville R1
a daughter NAOMI ANN, July 21

FISHER, Ammon F. (Rebecca Glick) Ronks R1
a daughter MIRIAM G., July 22

FISHER, Christian Z. (Annie Glick) New Providence
R2, a daughter SUSANNA G., July 17

FISHER, Daniel M. (Sadie Petersheim) Strasburg R1
a daughter SARANN P., July 24

FISHER, Elmer E. (Naomi King) Kinzers R1
a daughter, July 8

FISHER, John F. (Annie S. Stoltzfus) Quarryville R1
a son ELI S., July 31

GLICK, Gideon S. (Lizzie K. Esh) Leola R1
a son DAVID E., July 11

KAUFFMAN, John E. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Christiana R1
a daughter MARY, July 29

KING, David B. (Anna Riehl) Honey Brook R2
a son JACOB R., July 5

KING, Samuel S. (Mary Ann Stoltzfus) Elverson R2
a son SAMUEL, July 16

LANTZ, Levi (Sadie King) Gordonville R1
a daughter SUSAN, July 31

LAPP, Benuel (Katie King) Willow Street R1
a son AMOS, July 1, died July 4

LAPP, David K. (Sadie Zook) Gordonville R1,
a daughter SARAH, July 24

MILLER, Amos F. (Susie Huyard) Peach Bottom R2
a son SYLVAN H., July 30

MILLER, Henry R. (Lydia S. Glick) 2714 Creek Hill
Rd., Lancaster, a daughter FANNIE G., July 15

MILLER, Jacob (Katie Blank) Bird-in-Hand R1
a daughter ANNA, July 10

PETERSHEIM, Samuel K. (Sally L. Beiler) Gap R1
a daughter ADA MARIE, July 15

RIEHL, Amos (Annie Stoltzfus) Strasburg R1
a son MELVIN LEE, July 2

SMOKER, Abram (Susie Stoltzfus) Kirkwood R1
a son STEPHEN, July 8

STOLTZFUS, Aaron E. (Sarah Esh) Leola R1
a son ISAAC E., July 17

STOLTZFUS, Abram B. (Katie L. Lapp) Oxford R1
a son ABRAM B., July 30

STOLTZFUS, Benjamin B. (Malinda G. Zook) 186
Geist Rd., Lancaster, a son BENJAMIN B., JR., July 25

STOLTZFUS, Benjamin Z. (Salina Swarey) Kinzers R1
a daughter ANNIE, July 5

STOLTZFUS, Benuel (Annie Beiler) Holtwood R1
a daughter PRISCILLA B., July 29

STOLTZFUS, Benuel S. (Priscilla Stoltzfus) Morgantown R1, a daughter MARION MAE, July 30

STOLTZFUS, Daniel R. (Hannah S. Fisher) 1902
Pioneer Rd., Lancaster, a daughter SADIE F., July 9

STOLTZFUS, Eli D. (Mima Stoltzfus) Gap R1
a son GIDEON, July 3

STOLTZFUS, Jacob S. (Lydia E. Lapp) 290 Clearview
Rd., Lancaster, a daughter LINDA, July 10

STOLTZFUS, John Z. (Rachel S. Blank) Gap R1
a son ELMER B., July 11

STOLTZFUS, Melvin K. (Rachel Smucker) Gordonville
R1, a son DANIEL WAYNE, July 2

STOLTZFUS, Moses F. (Anna D. Zook) Kinzers R1
a daughter NAOMI, July 23

STOLTZFUS, Samuel (Malinda King) Kinzers R1
a daughter VERNA, July 3

ZOOK, Jonas (Elizabeth Esh) 729 Hartman Station Rd.
Lancaster, a daughter MARY L., July 19

St. Mary's County, Maryland

BYLER, Henry (Lydia Hostetler) Mechanicsville
a stillborn daughter, July 13

ESH, John, Jr. (Edith Yoder) Mechanicsville
a daughter SUSIE, July 26

KURTZ, Solly (Mary Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville
a daughter SUSANNA, July 1

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Dover, Delaware

BYLER, David R. (Lydia Miller) Kenton
a son HARVEY, July 20

KING, Bennie J. (Esther Troyer) Dover R2
a son TOBY, July 14

MAST, Andy J. (Barbara Byler) Dover R2
a son ALLEN, July 20

MILLER, Johnny H. (Esther Byler) Wyoming R1
a daughter SUSANNA, June 26

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

LAPP, John B..(Naomi Lantz) Myerstown R2
a daughter RUTH, July 4

SMOKER, Moses (Annie Lapp) Myerstown R2
a son REUBEN, July 27

Bradford County, Pennsylvania

GIROD, Dan (Lovina Yoder) Stevensville
a daughter LAURA, July 25

YODER, Milo (Anna Mast) Leraysville
a son MONROE, July 17

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

KANAGY, Jacob (Hannah Lapp) Belleville
a daughter MARY, July 29

YODER, Joseph (Fannie Peachey) Belleville
a daughter MOLLY, July 5

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Levi K..(Mollie Yoder) Mifflintown R1
a stillborn son, July 20

PEACHEY, Moses (Malinda Wengerd) Mifflintown R2
a daughter LYDIA, July 24

RENNO, Abie (Malinda Peachey) Mifflintown R2
a daughter MOLLIE, July 27

RENNO, Gideon (Salina Yoder) McAlisterville R2
a son ABIE, July 25

Path Valley, Pennsylvania

HERTZLER, Reuben (Sarah Hostetler)
a daughter KATIE, July 28

Franklin County, Pennsylvania

KING, Christ (Lizzie Lantz) Newburg R1
a daughter MARY, July 22

LANTZ, Ben (Bena Kauffman) Newburg R1
a son MARCUS, July 10

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

BRENNEMAN, Ernest (Barbara Yoder) Grantsville, Md.
a daughter SADIE, July 13

KINSINGER, Joseph J. (Martha Beachy) Meyersdale
a daughter CATHERINE, July 23

KINSINGER, Samuel A..(Effie Summy) Meyersdale
a daughter FANNIE, July 15

PEACHEY, Joseph A.(Katie Brenneman) Salisbury
a daughter ANNIE, July 2

SUMMY, Noah P.(Sarah Kinsinger) Meyersdale
a son NORMAN, July 28

YODER, Kore P..(Annie Brenneman) Meyersdale
a daughter LYDIA MAE, July 2

Crawford County, Pennsylvania

COBLENTZ, Menno and Clara, Conneautville R3
twins MARY ANN & SARA ANN, July 29
Sara Ann was stillborn. (See Obituary)

Holmes County, Ohio

COBLENTZ, Roman J. (Niva Miller) Millersburg R4
a daughter RACHEL, June 24

HERSHBERGER, Dan E. and wife, Berlin
a daughter ARLENE, July 16

HERSHBERGER, Roman E. (Gertie Yoder) Baltic
a daughter CLARA, July 24

KLINE, Henry I. (Anna Yoder) Millersburg R5
a son ALLEN, July 1

MAST, Mose J. (Edna Yoder) Baltic R1
a son WAYNE, July 17

MILLER, Attlee M. (Esther Shetler) Sugarcreek R1
a daughter MIRIAM, July 24

MILLER, Henry E. (Iva Yoder) Baltic
a daughter SARA ANN, July 13

MILLER, Joseph D. (Katie Miller) Baltic R1
a son, July 23

SCHLABACH, Andy A. (Sadie Troyer) Star Route
Millersburg, a daughter ANNA, July 15

STUTZMAN, Vernon J. (Mary Troyer) Fresno R3
a son, July 18

TROYER, Eli J. (Katie Mast) Fredericksburg R1
a son, July 27

TROYER, Roy M. and wife, Millersburg R4
a daughter RHODA, July 12

WEAVER, Ivan H. and wife, Bunker Hill
a daughter, July 20

WEAVER, John S. (Ella Yoder) Millersburg R5
a daughter ELSIE, June 27

YODER, Abe Jr., Sugarcreek R1
a son, July 14

YODER, Levi N. (Abigail Miller) Baltic R1
a son FLOYD, July 3

YODER, Mose M. E. (Esther Yoder) Baltic R1
a daughter ELMINA, June 27

Wayne County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Roman (Mary Weaver) Big Prairie R
a daughter SUSIE, July 3

HOCHSTETLER, Abe J. (Anna E. Gingerich) Orrvill
R2, a daughter ELLA, July 21

HOCHSTETLER, Alvin A. (Mary E. Miller) Kidron
a son BENJAMIN, June 26

MILLER, Andy A. (Ella A. Yoder) Orrville R3
a daughter VERBA, July 18

MILLER, Atlee A. (Katie D. Yoder) Orrville R3
a son MAHLON, July 18

MILLER, Henry (Emma Miller) Big Prairie R1
a daughter, July 30

YODER, Dan E. S. (Saloma D. Mast) Dalton R2
a son VERNON, July 15

YODER, Robert (Sarah D. Mast) Apple Creek R2
a son LEANDER, July 19

Ashland County, Ohio

SCHROCK, Paul (Susan Yoder) Ashland R5
a daughter ANNA, July 9

Orwell, Ohio

BYLER, Sam J. (Cora Detweiler) Orwell R1
a daughter CRISTINA, July 18

Danville, Ohio

YODER, Enos (Lena Troyer) Butler R2
a daughter ANNA, July 18

Conewango Valley, New York

HERSHBERGER, Joe M.(Emma Byler)
a son JOE, July 3
MILLER, Levi Y. (Anna N.Raber)
a son ELI in June
MILLER, Mose L. (Anna M.Miller)
a son July 30
SHETLER, Ben J. (Marie A. Slabaugh)
a daughter EMMA, June 3
SHETLER, Levi N.(Emma A.Slabaugh)
a daughter DRUCILLA in June

Hillsdale County, Michigan

DELAGRANGE, Henry, Jr.(Mary Schwartz) Camden R1
a daughter EDNA, July 24

Centreville, Michigan

BONTRAGER, Benjamin A. (Freda D. Miller)
Centreville R1, a son DAVID B., July 4
BONTRAGER, Levi R. (Mary Esther Yoder)
Centreville R1, a daughter IRENE
MILLER, Wayne (Welma Bontrager) Colon R1
a son DELBERT, July 17
YODER, Lonnie B. (Clara Mae Yoder) Mendon R2
a son SHERMAN, July 17
YODER, Merle I. (ShirleyAnn Bontrager)
a daughter MARYANN, July 10

Allen County, Indiana

GRABER, Furman (Mary Graber)
a daughter JOAN, July 7
LENGACHER, Melvin (Wilma Brandenberger)
a son WILLIAM, July 22
SCHMUCKER, David (Anna Zehr)
a daughter ANNA MARY, July 17
SCHMUCKER, David (Emma Schwartz)
a daughter MARGARET, July 11
SCHMUCKER, Pete (Annette Schwartz)
a son DANIEL, July 29
SCHWARTZ, Danny (Amanda Schmucker)
a daughter CLARA, June 28
SCHWARTZ, Joseph (Elizabeth Miller)
a son JOSEPH, July 5
WICKEY, Reuben (Effie May Brandenberger)
a daughter AMY, July 30

LaGrange County, Indiana

BEACHY, Daniel J..(Emma Bontrager) Wolcottville
a son JOHN D., June 28
BONTRAGER, LaVerne (LeAnna Miller) Shipshewana
a son LEON L., July 5
EASH, Melvin (Alta Miller) Shipshewana R1
a daughter SARA JEAN, July 1
FRY, Jacob D. (Polly Anna Miller) Topeka
a son HARLEY JAY, July 5
LAMBRIGHT, Wilbur (Wilma Lehman) Shipshewana R2
a son CALVIN RAY, July 12
MILLER, Alvin D. (Lydia Mae Yoder) Topeka R 2
a daughter SUE ANN, June 19
MILLER, Ervin U. (Alta Yoder) Topeka R2
a son PERRY E., June 23
MILLER, Floyd U.(Anna Mae Yoder) LaGrange
a daughter EDNA FERN, July 11
MILLER, Harvey J.(Susie Miller) Ligonier R3
a daughter DOROTHY, June 26
MILLER, William, Jr.(Edna Bontrager) Topeka
a son WILLIAM E., July 6
RABER, Eli J. (Polly Fry) Topeka R2
a daughter ESTHER, July 22
SCHWARTZ, Levi (Anna Gingerich)
a son ELI, June 25
WAGLER, David (Marlene Christner) Shipshewana R1
a daughter LYNDA SUE, June 22
WEAVER, Calvin (Mary Yoder) LaGrange R4
a daughter MARY LOU, June 28
WEAVER, Freeman J. (Mary Yoder) Topeka R1
a daughter ESTHER F., June 20
WENGARD, Wilbur Lee (Lizzie Ellen Frey) Topeka R1
a son GARY ALLEN, June 21
YODER, John A.(Lydia Mae Miller) Wolcottville R2
a son NOAH J., July 14

Elkhart County, Indiana

HOCHSTETLER, John Henry (Mary Ellen Miller)60687
C.R.37 Middlebury, a son LYNN DALE, July 22
MILLER, Melvin (Esther Yoder) Middlebury R1
a son TIMOTHY DEVON, July 13
SCHROCK, Alvin (Ruby Yoder) Middlebury R2
a son JERRY LEE, July 10
TROYER, Lloyd(Anna Mae Yoer) 63371 C.R..37
Goshen, a daughter FRIEDA IRENE, July 5

Arthur, Illinois

HELMUTH, Omer (Erma Graber)
a daughter RUTH MARIE, July 14
HERSCHBERGER, Menno (Barbara Miller)
a son GARY EUGENE, July 26
MILLER, Marvin (Elnora Chupp)
a daughter SARAH FERN, July 3
OTTO, Melvin R..(Anna Ellen Schlabaugh)
a daughter ROSELLA, July
SCHROCK, David (Lucy Stutzman)
a daughter RUTH MARIE, July 7
SCHROCK, Omer (Lizzie Beachey)
a daughter LINDA SUE, July
SCHROCK, Willis (Ida Miller)
a son LAVERNE, July 26
YODER, John (Sarahann Brenneman)
a daughter LORENE, July 29

Guthrie, Kentucky

MILLER, John (Sarah Beiler) Guthrie R2
a daughter DEBORAH YVONNE, July 28
SCHLABACH, Freeman (Marie Yoder) Guthrie
a daughter ADA MARIE, July 11

Ethridge, Tennessee

GINGERICH, Joe U. (Katie Yoder)
a daughter IVA, July 3
GINGERICH, Ura J. (Anna Yoder)
a daughter EMMA, July 22
MILLER, Paul A.(Fanny Yoder)
a daughter KATIE, July 26

Haven, Kansas
BONTRAGER, Merlin R..(Ida Miller)
a son MICHAEL LYNN, July 24
MILLER, Eli W..(Katie Yoder)
a son IVAN, July 15

Chouteau, Oklahoma
YODER, Manuel (Minnie Gingerich)
a son DAVID ELI, June 8

Jamesport, Missouri
BONTRAGER, Mose M., (Mary Ellen Bontrager)
a son VERNON, July 4
DETWEILER, Tobie, Jr. (Amanda Troyer)
a son FREEMAN, July 21
HERSHBERGER, Monroe (Ida Stutzman)
a daughter RUBY DELILAH, July 21
KURTZ, Alvin J..(Martha Troyer)
a daughter RACHEL, June 29
MAST, Menno A .(Lucy Kauffman)
a daughter MAGDALENA, July 31
YUTZY, Jonas W. (Emma Graber)
a daughter FANNIE MAE, July 18

Audrain, County, Missouri
MILLER, Chrissie J .(Anna Borntreger) Clark
a son PERRY, July 9
MILLER, John Henry (Mary Bontrager) Clark
a daughter EDNA, July
SHETLER, Eli V..(Barbara Gingerich) Clark
a daughter MARY, July 1
YODER, Eli M.(Lydia Gingerich) Clark
a daughter MARY, July 7

Anabel, Missouri
BORNTREGER, John (Lydia Yoder) Anabel
a daughter EMMA, July 30
BORNTRAGER, Neal, Jr. (Lydia Hochstetler) Anabel
a daughter ALTA, July 18
SCHROCK, Willie S .(Alma Borntrager) Clarence
a son SAMMIE, July 24

Pike County, Missouri
BORNTRAGER, Willard (Katie Eicher) Curryville
a son JACOB, July 26
MAST, Sam A .(Anna Eicher) Bowling Green
a daughter KATIE, June 22
WAGLER, Jacob (Lizzie Troyer) Bowling Green
a son EZRA, July 29

Buchanan County, Iowa
BONTRAGER, Simeon (Verna Beechy) Hazleton
a son ANDY, July 23
KAUFFMAN, Ela A. (Lorene Detweiler) Hazleton
a daughter IDA MAE, July 3

Johnson County, Iowa
HERSHBERGER, Firman (Suvilla Mast)
a son KEITH DANIEL, July 12
MILLER, Fenton (Lydia Chupp)
a daughter MARY GRACE, July 14
MILLER, Henry T. (Esther Mast)
a son ELI, June 28

Milton, Iowa
HOCHSTETLER, John (Ida Mae Mullet) Milton R1
a daughter LAURA, July 14
HOCHSTETLER, Noah (Lovina Gingerich)
Milton R1, a son ANDREW, June 30

Medford, Wisconsin
MILLER, Harvey J. (Laura Schmucker) Medford R3
a son JACOB, July 21

Amherst, Wisconsin
BORNTREGER, Enos (Katie Miller)
a son NOAH, July 22
MILLER, Samuel (Mary Miller)
a son AMMON, July 5

Wadena, Minnesota
YODER, William L..(Anna Gingerich)
a son JOHN, July 8

Milverton, Ontario, Canada
ALBRECHT, David (Mary Jantzi) Milverton R1
a son ROMAN, June 27
JANTZI, Ezra (Judith Kuepfer) Milverton R1
a son JOSIAH, July 8
KUEPFER, Joseph (Salena Kuepfer) Millbank
a daughter on July 24

Aylmer, Ontario
LUTHY, David (Mary Stoll)
a son REUBEN, July 2

COMMUNITY NOTES – Audrain County, Missouri

Jonas F. Miller, 26, Clark, was spading out sour docks from his oats on June 2nd, when a blood vessel burst in his head. He walked up to his house and in about ten minutes he became unconscious. They took him to the Medical Center in Columbia by ambulance, and he remained unconscious for about 17 hours. His improvement was very slow, and after four weeks they are trying to get him on his feet. He can go home as soon as he is able to be on his feet. This happened to him before, but this time was the h[illegible]est. He is married to Rachel, daughter of Daniel S. Beachys. They have two children.

Rudy, 3-year-old son of Jonas and Anna (Yoder) Gingerich, had open heart surgery on June 3rd. At last report he was coming along alright.

Levi, 22-month-old son of Eli J. and Amanda (Shetler) Bontrager, drank some kerosene on June 27th and was taken to the Medical Center in Columbia. His improvement was still slow after four days.

Fannie, wife of Felty Miller, had an operation in the Wooland Hospital in Moberly on June 27th. She expected to have to stay about ten days.

Vernie Borntrager, Clark, Mo. and Edna Frey, Paoli, Ind. were traveling from Paoli to Clark on May 7th. When changing bus in St. Louis they set their suitcases beside the bus and stepped inside to get in line. After they had been on the bus they got off again to check their suitcases and they were both gone, and they found no trace of them yet. Besides clothing they contained gifts and a small amount of money.

Der Herr ist
mein Hirte, Ps. 23:1

OBITUARIES

BLANK, Mrs. Barbara E., 70, Narvon R2, Pa.

died at 7 a.m. Wednesday, July 16, at her home following a five-month illness of diabetes and a heart attack. Born in Upper Leacock Township, she was a daughter of the late Amos M. and Barbara (Esh) Stoltzfus, and was the wife of Joseph R. Blank. She is survived by her husband and ten children, Amos S., Gap R1; Fannie, wife of Eli Esh, Christiana R1; Benuel S., Joseph S., Jacob S., and Rebecca, wife of Daniel F. King, all of Narvon R2; David, Newville, Pa., Rachel, wife of Aaron Lapp, Kirkwood R1; Barbara, wife of Elam F. King, Christiana R1; and Sarah, wife of Ephraim Zook, Lititz R4; 77 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and two brothers, vi E. Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, and Benuel E. oltzfus, Quarryville R3.

Funeral services were held July 18th, at the house by Lloyd Beiler, hymn read by Isaac Diener; largely attended in the barn, held by David S. Glick and Bishop David K. Blank, hymn read by Dea. Benjamin E. Kauffman; burial in Beuna Vista Cemetery, hymn read by Dea. Amos B. Lapp, abschied by Stephen L. Stoltzfus.

BONTRAGER, Mrs. Susie, 26, Jamesport, Missouri

died of cancer at her home south of Jamesport on July 16th. She was born at Topeka, Indiana Oct. 4, 1948. Surviving are her husband, Delbert L. Bontrager; three children, Ruby 4, Melvin 3, and Luverne 9 months; her parents, Melvin and Lydia (Raber) Yoder of Topeka, Indiana; five brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services were held at Ferman Troyers, July 19th, by Samuel Bontrager and William W. Miller, both of LaGrange County, Indiana.

BONTRAGER, Twin daughters, LaGrange Co., Ind.

of William L. and Annabelle (Troyer) Bontrager were stillborn Friday, June 27, in the LaGrange County Hospital. Surviving with the parents are a brother, Laverne Ray, and a sister, Wanetta Fern, both at home; and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bontrager of Shipshewana R1, and Daniel J. Troyer of Middlebury.

Graveside services were held Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Miller Cemetery by Bishop Sam Miller.

COBLENTZ, Sara Ann, Conneautville R3, Pa.

daughter of Menno and Clara Coblentz was stillborn July 29th. A twin sister, Mary Ann, survives. Short graveside services were held July 30th with both families present, a few neighbors, and the home ministers.

EBERSOL, Mrs. Priscilla K., 38, Leola R1, Pa.

died at Lancaster General Hospital Thursday, July 17, at 7:40 a.m. from a stroke. Born in East Lampeter Township, she was a daughter of Samuel M. and Rebecca (King) Fisher, Soudersburg. Besides her parents, she is survives by her husband, Alvin B. Ebersol, two sons, Samuel M. and Harvey F., both at home; and the following brothers and sisters, Aaron L. Fisher, Soudersburg; Sarah, wife of John F. Stoltzfus, Leola R1; Rebecca, wife of Amos B. Fisher, Gordonville R1; Levi K. Fisher, Lancaster; Leah, wife of Gary Hartley, New Providence R1; and Anna, wife of Henry U. Fisher, Gordonville R1.

Priscilla had a brain hemorrhage Oct. 31, 1971 and about four days later had a stroke which paralyzed her right side. She was in the hospital three weeks then at Fairmount Home for six months. She was in a coma for quite some time and it was seven weeks before she gave a whisper. Then she seemed to improve and was taken home. She spent most of her time on a wheelchair although she could walk some the last 18 months of her life as she had a brace on her right leg and walked with a cane. The last two years she seldom missed church, was very patient, always had a smile, and seemed to be improving. On July 16th she was out in the yard with the family eating cake and ice cream when she had another stroke at about 8:30 p.m. and died eleven hours later. Two years ago, July 18th, their oldest son, Leroy age 13, drowned in a farm pond, which was quite a shock as he was the age he did a lot for his mother. Remember them in prayer.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 19, short services at the house by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus, hymn read by Dea. Emanuel S. Lapp; further services in the shop by Isaac F. King and John K. Lapp, hymn read by Gideon K. King; burial in Myers Cemetery, hymn read by Enos S. Glick, abschied by Stephen U. Zook. Her age was 38 yr., 1 mo., and 16 days.

ESH, Mrs. Katie K., 83, Ronks R1, Pa.

died Sunday, July 27, at 5 a.m. at her home, following a lengthy illness. Born in Leacock Twp., she was a daughter of the late David and Malinda (Kauffman) Smoker. She is survived by her husband, Daniel L. Esh; three sons, Jacob S. and Jonathan D., both of Ronks R1, and Levi S., of Gordonville R1; a daughter, Malinda, wife of Leroy Stoltzfus, Quarryville R3; 17 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and a half brother, Elmer D. Stoltzfus, Leola R1.

Funeral services were held at the Levi S. Esh residence Tuesday, July 29, at 12 noon, by Bishop Amos E. King and Bishop Aaron Esh, hymn read by Bishop Christ M. Fisher; burial in Gordonville Cemetery, hymn read by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp, abschied by Pre. Jonas S. Esh. Her age was 83 yr., 10 mo., and 20 days.

LAPP, Amos K., 3 days, Willow Street R2, Pa.

son of Benuel S. and Katie L. (King) Lapp, died Friday, July 4, at 2 a.m. at the Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital. Besides his parents, he is survived by paternal grandparents, Amos S. and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Strasburg R1, and maternal grandparents, Amos M. and Lydia (Lapp) King, Gordonville R1.

LAPP, Infant, Narvon R2, Pa.

son of Jonathan G. and Lydia Mae (Stoltzfus) Lapp, was stillborn at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital Thursday morning, July 17th. Surviving besides the parents are four brothers and one sister, Elmer, Jonathan, Leroy, Ephraim, and Sadie Ruth, all at home; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Sadie Stoltzfus, Gap R1; paternal grandparents, Elmer L. and Aarie (Esh) Lapp, Narvon R2; maternal great-grandfather, Stephen Stoltzfus, Gap R1; paternal great-grandparents, Christian M. and Rachel Lapp, New Holland R2; and the paternal step great-grandmother, Mrs. Katie Esh, Intercourse.

Funeral services were held at the home by Isaac Dienner. Burial was in Millwood Cemetery.

MILLER, Ammon N., 79, Millersburg R3, Ohio

died Friday morning, July 18, in his home following a long illness. Born in Holmes County, he was a son of Noah H. and Nancy (Helmuth) Miller. Surviving are his widow, the former Lizzie Schlabach; six daughters and three sons, Mrs. Milt (Sarah) Troyer and David A. of Apple Creek R2, Mrs. Enos J. (Nancy) Raber, Mrs. Roy J. (Abbie) Miller and Mrs. Dan A. (Ada) Raber of Millersburg R3, Mrs. Paul (Lovina) Kaufman of Star Route Millersburg, Mrs. Dan J. (Annie) Troyer of Millersburg R1, Henry A. of Fredericksburg R2, and Levi A. of Alliance; a sister, Mrs. Abner Miller of Plain City; 48 grandchildren, and 20 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by four brothers, two sisters, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 21, at the home of V. J. Erb of Millersburg R3, by Bishop Floyd Troyer. Burial was in Raber Cemetery.

SCHMUCKER, Mrs. Laura D., 71, Medford R3, Wis.

died at her home July 10th at 4:08 a.m. She was born Sept. 4, 1903 to Daniel S. and Mary (Miller) Hochstetler at Mt. Ayr, Indiana. She was married Feb. 6, 1930 at Morocco, Ind. to John D. Schmucker, who survives. To this union were born five sons and five daughters, Paul who died in December of 1946; Mrs. Ervin (Alma) Miller, Medford; Mrs. Chriss (Martha) Borntreger, Amherst; Marvin, Bronson, Mich.; John, Medford; Simon, Medford; Mrs. Ora (Sylvia) Schrock, Curtiss; Mrs. Harvey (Laura) Miller, Medford; Edward, Bronson, Mich.; and Clara, at home.

Funeral services were held at the home July 12th, by Bishop John H. Miller and Min. Jonas V. Borntrager in the big house, in the small house by Bishop Samuel Mast and Min. Ira Borntrager; hymns read by Freeman Beechy and Fred W. Yoder.

STOLTZFUS, Elmer Z., 79, Kinzers R1, Pa.

died at his home Thursday, July 17, following a lengthy illness of heart trouble. Born in West Earl Township, he was a son of the late Samuel U. and Elizabeth (Zook) Stoltzfus. He was a retired farmer and was recently self-employed as a furniture repair man. Surviving are his wife, Mamie L. (Stoltzfoos) Stoltzfus, and the following children, Katie, wife of Samuel E. Fisher, Ronks R1; Lizzie, wife of John E. Riehl, with whom they resided; Samuel U., Strasburg R1; Levi Z., Conestoga R2; John S., Dundee, N. Y.; Emma, wife of Daniel Ebersol, Ronks R1; 37 grandchildren and 55 great-grandchildren. He was the last of his immediate family.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 21, at 9 a.m. at the home by Pre. Samuel U. Fisher and Pre. Moses K. Blank, hymn by Pre. Lloyd M. Beiler; burial in Stoltzfus Cemetery at Groffdale, hymn read by Pre. Jonas S. Ebersol, abschied by Pre. John K. Stoltzfus.

STOLTZFUS, Mrs. Fannie, 80, Quarryville R3, Pa.

died at her home Sunday, July 13, at 4:15 a.m. after a lengthy illness. Born in Upper Leacock Township, she was a daughter of the late Eli B. and Rachel (Fisher) Stoltzfus. She was the widow of Simeon G. Stoltzfus, who died in November of 1967. She is survived by 13 children, Elam, Hartville, Ohio; Lester, Charlotte, Mich.; Enos, East Rochester, Ohio; Christian, Tampa, Fla.; Sarah and Annie, both of Paradise R1; Eli B., Strasburg R1; Rachel, Gap; Leroy, Quarryville R3; Sylvia, wife of Ben K. Fisher, Ronks; Fannie, wife of Christian M. Fisher, Gordonville R1; Simeon G. Jr., Quarryville R3; and Bena, at home; 41 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Sam F. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, and Elam F. Stoltzfus, Leola R1; and a sister, Lydia, wife of Emanuel Lapp, Gordonville R1.

Funeral services were held at the home July 15th at 11:30 a.m., by Bishop Joel Zook and Pre. John K. Lapp, hymn read by Sam Zook; burial in Georgetown Cemetery, hymn read by Dea. Aaron J. Stoltzfus, abschied by Joseph S. Fisher.

STOLTZFUS, Mrs. Hannah, 67, Gap R1, Pa.

died at Lancaster General Hospital Saturday, July 5, where she had been a patient for several days. Born in Upper Leacock Township, she was a daughter of the late Jonathan and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Lantz. She was the widow of Benjamin Stoltzfus, who died in 1956. Surviving are the following children, Leroy L., East Earl; Jonas L., Gap R1; Susie, wife of Christ King, Parkesburg R1; Anna Mary, wife of David Huyard, Shouns, Tenn.; Miss Elsie Stoltzfus, Gap R1; Ruth Ann, wife of Jacob Esh, New Providence R1; 19 grandchildren; three brothers, Amos S. Lantz and Isaac S. Lantz, both of Gordonville R1; Jonathan S. Lantz, Gap R1; and a sister, Lydia, wife of Christian F. King, Ronks R1.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday, July 7, by Jacob Zook and Christ F. Glick, hymn by Jonathan Lantz; burial in Millwood Cemetery.

STOLTZFUS, Infant, Gordonville R1, Pa.

son of David and Susie Stoltzfus, was stillborn July 23rd. Burial was in Gordonville Cemetery.

STOLTZFUS, Priscilla M., 19, Bloomsburg R1, Pa.

died Thursday, July 31, at 2 p.m. at Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, after an illness of one month. Born in Lancaster County, she was a daughter of Samuel K. and Mary (Miller) Stoltzfus. In addition to her parents, she is survived by five brothers and five sisters.

OBITUARIES, Continued

SWAREY, Mrs. Mary A., 67, Belleville, Pa.

died Wednesday, July 16, after a lengthy illness. Born in Mifflin County, she was a daughter of the late John M. and Barbara (Yoder) Peachey and was the widow of John E. Swarey who died in 1958. She had a gall operation in 1962 and in 1963 had a kidney removed. In 1972 she had a hard attack of euremic poisoning. In the spring of 1974 she had a blocked bowel and a tumor removed. She was bedfast the last 9 or 10 weeks, eating very little, and was in the hospital the last week. She is survived by one son, John of Union County; one daughter, Mrs. Daniel (Annie) Yoder, where she had her home the last year and a half; a step mother, Mrs. Susie Peachey, who helped care for her after she was bedfast; two sisters, Mrs. Eli (Susie) Yoder and Mrs. John (Nancy) Renno, both of Lancaster County; two brothers, Abraham of Center County and Jacob of Belleville; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at her home farm, where Eli Wengerds live, in the barn by Shem Swarey and Daniel L. Peachey. Burial was in the Allensville Cemetery.

YODER, John Andrew, 18½ mo., Kokomo, Ind.

was born Jan. 3, 1974, died July 17, 1975 of apparent heart failure due to the suffering of a brain tumor. He had been ill for six weeks. Surviving with the parents are one brother, Vernon, age 5 mo.; the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gingerich Jr. of Bloomfield, Iowa; the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew E. Yoder of Amboy, Ind.; great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Hochstetler of Kalona, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Yoder of Garnett, Kansas, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Herschberger of Amboy, Indiana.

Funeral services were held July 20th at the home.

YODER, Lester Dean, 13, Mayes County, Oklahoma

drowned in a farm pond Sunday, July 6th (see front page). Born Jan. 12, 1962, he was a son of Nelson and Ida (Miller) Yoder and was the oldest of six children. Surviving are his parents; two brothers, Allen and Daniel; three sisters, Lydiann, Edna Mae, and Mary; grandparents, Dea. Melvin and Edna Yoder, and step grandmother, Lydia Garver.

Funeral services were held in a large implement shed at the Bill Detweiler home, where many relatives and friends from other places as well as many outsiders from this locality attended. Services were conducted by Lester Coblentz of Iowa and Bishop Crist M. Miller of the home church. Burial was in the Amish Cemetery, a few miles southwest of Chouteau, Oklahoma.

YODER, Mrs. Mary M., 87, Millersburg R4, Ohio

died Monday evening, July 21, in her home after a five week illness. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Henry B. and Sarah (Schrock) Miller. Surviving are her husband, Mose J. Yoder; three daughters, Mrs. Henry A. (Katie) Raber of Baltic R1, Mrs. Alvin E. (Mary Ann) Troyer and Sarah M. of the home; one brother, Henry H. Miller of Kalona, Iowa; a half sister, Mrs. Levi J. (Saloma) Raber of Millersburg R4; three half brothers, Dan H. Miller of Kalona, Iowa, Andy H. Miller of Canton and Yost H. Miller of Conewango Valley, N. Y.; 21 grandchildren, and 55 great-grandchildren. A daughter is deceased.

Funeral services were held Thursday, July 24, at 9:30 a.m. in the residence by Bishop David E. Yoder. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery, Berlin Township.

BAPTISMS

July 20, in Cris Otto District
at the home of Min. and Mrs. Melvin Miller
Mary, dau. of Eli J. and Fannie Gingerich
July 27, in Amos Otto District
at the home of Jacob D. Chupp
Marlin, son of Joe and Anna (Mullet) Miller
LydiaMae, dau. of David J. and Mattie (Miller) Beachey

Visiting minister for the 27th baptism were Min. and Mrs. Isaac Mullet from Nappanee, Indiana.

MARRIAGES

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

Troyer, Peachey – Vernon A., son of Atlee L. M. Troyers, to Rachel, daughter of Jesse Peacheys, July 15, by Bishop Tobe Petersheim.

Oakland, Maryland

Miller, Miller – Ivan, son of Joni and Fannie (Miller) Miller, to Freda, daughter of Robert and Katie (Yoder) Miller, June 19, by Bishop Joe Yoder from Indiana.

Camden, Michigan

Eicher, Schwartz – Stephen, son of Paul and Susan (Schwartz) Eicher, to Sylvia, daughter of Amos M. and Edna (Christner) Schwartz, July 17th.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Miller – Martin, son of Jacob W. and Lena (Yoder) Miller, to Esther, daughter of Levi and Annie (Mast) Miller, July 31st.

Milverton, Ontario

Jantzi, Jantzi – Ezra, son of John and Catherine Jantzi, Linwood, Ont., to Elizabeth, daughter of Claytus and Fannie Jantzi, July 31, by Bishop Clarence Kuepfer.

MORE SENIOR MEMBERS

Feb. 5, 1887 – Mrs. Joni (Lizzie Miller,
Apple Creek, R2, Ohio
Aug. 14, 1892 – Simon Swartzentruber, Oakland R2, Md.
July 18, 1894 – Noah D. Schrock, Oakland R2, Md.

REPORTERS! Please write on only one side of paper. Write your name and locality with the crop and weather report and your locality with each subject. Happenings that do not pertain to crops and weather shall be submitted as community notes.

Thank you. S. E. F.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Clinton County, Pa.

Amos Stoltzfus lost eight cows by lightning on June 5th.

COWS KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Ora Hochstetler of Centreville, Michigan had 14 of his 21 cows killed by lightning in the night of July 2nd when they had lightning, rain, and some wind.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Holmes & Wayne Co., Ohio

Daniel, born June 11, son of Leroy E. Stutzmans, who was in Akron Childrens Hospital from June 14 to August 2 is at home now. He weighs 4 lbs., 1 oz.

Johny J. Miller, son of Dea. John D. C. Miller of Kidron, fell 18 feet, July 24th, when he was doing carpenter work. He had a swollen face and was unconscious for a few days, was in Orrville Hospital.

Abe J. Weaver had stitches in his face last week, due to a thrashing accident.

Joe, son of Pre. Dan A. Troyers, fell backwards from a load of wheat, July 25th, and broke his arm.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Blair Wisconsin

Perry M. Miller, age 9, son of Moses J. Miller of Whitehall, Wisconsin, is in the Central Wisconsin Colony and Training School at Madison, Wisconsin. The bones in both legs were cut off below the hip socket and turned straight. He had been born with a foot problem. He will have a heavy cast for four weeks, then a fiber glass cast for about two months. He will have to stay a month. In a year he will have to go back to have steel plates removed.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Cashton, Wisconsin

Melvin J. Hershberger now has his cast removed from his left leg and has a walking cast on his right leg just up to his knee. He is getting around pretty good on crutches.

Isaac, age 13, son of Bishop Menno M. Hershberger, broke his right leg below the knee when riding a pony. While going around a corner too fast, the pony fell on Isaac's leg. He had a walking cast put on.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Bronson, Michigan

David S. Borntregers loaded their truck July 29th and headed for Huntingdon, Tennessee, a new settlement.

Leander J. Keims from Kansas are moving on their farm as soon as everything is vacated. He is a grandson of the late Bishop Leander Keim, and a son of Jonas Keim.

The selling of farms is almost at a standstill, prices are too high to make a living, and finance is not as easy as a few years ago. People who were coming from the cities to buy farms a few years ago, have decided that making a living on the farm is more than sitting on the tractor seat. Some have decided to go back and push the punch press, and probably strike for higher wages. Striking doesn't bring very good results on the farm, at least the government doesn't pay you to strike like in the factories.

BUCHANAN CO., IOWA MISHAPS

Fanny, daughter of Deacon Andy Kurtz, along with her sister Emma, were riding on a load of hay when it upset. Emma wasn't hurt much. Fanny had a broken arm and was unconscious for several hours, was rushed to the Independence Hospital where she was treated.

Pre. David Yutzy was shoeing an unruly horse on July 4th. The horse threw himself on David, breaking his left leg, was hospitalized a few days, is home wearing a cast, gets around on crutches.

Mrs. Andy Mast, age 74, was hospitalized with a broken vertebra, received from a fall, is recuperating at home.

ETHRIDGE, TENN. BOY HAS HIP AILMENT

Herman, 8-year-old son of Andrew H. and Naomi N. (Hostetler) Gingerich, has some ailment in his left hip or leg and is on crutches. He is to take a long rest, especially on that particular side. He has been limping for more than a year and has been to doctors in Columbia, Tennessee and one in Nashville, Tennessee.

WAYNE CO., OHIO ACCIDENTS

Eli D. Mast of Orrville R3 fell from top of silo as hook of scaffold gave way while painting on the Eli C. Troyer farm July 8th. He broke his back and was in Wooster Hospital ten days. He got along real well and is at work again.

Andy E. Hershberger of Apple Creek R2 was kicked by a horse and broke both bones in one leg. He gets around on crutches.

Enos D. Hershberger of Dalton R2 fell to barn floor while getting ready to thrash wheat on July 15th. He broke large bone in one leg and the knee of the other leg. He is getting along as well as can be expected.

Nora, 18-month-old daughter of Alex and Mary Ann Troyer of Apple Creek R2, got too close to a bee hive while playing Sunday, July 6, at the home of her grandparents, William Troyers. She got an awful lot of stings, fifty were counted on her chest and arms with a lot in her hair and other parts of the body. She was given milk to make her vomit and was rushed to the hospital where the doctor gave her a shot and a bottle of medicine. Two weeks later they took her to the doctor again, he gave her another shot and a larger bottle of medicine. She is recovering nicely now.

ALLEN CO., IND. HOUSE FIRE

Most of the house of Amos M. Schmucker was burned after the explosion of an oilstove. The stove didn't work right in forenoon so they took it out and cleaned it. When she was getting supper it exploded before she could do anything about it. They saved some clothing and furniture.

WAYNE CO., OHIO ACCIDENT

Levi, age 13, son of Damas and Ella Mast fell out of a cherry tree, 25 ft., and broke his arm, has a cast on full length.

JULY 1975

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

Wet and warm would sum up the weather for July. Total rainfall for the month was 13.3 inches, with a lot of hot humid weather. Thrashing was delayed several weeks which reduced the amount of good grain. Yields in general were fair to good. Hog prices topped at .60 and pigs at 1.25.

St .Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R.. Stoltzfus

The first week of July we had about 2 in .rain, then a lot of threshing was done till July 10 it started raining every day for 10 days. Sometimes a lot, sometimes just a few showers. July 13 it rained nearly 5 in . Total for July was 10 inches. A lot of shocks were sprouting, and had it rained more, some would have been past saving . Most was threshed the last two weeks, but it was tough and some quite a mess . The last two weeks we had very little rain and it is quite dry. Lots of nice hay put in. Early corn looks good . Nights are cool.

Lancaster County, Pa., by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Weather for July was wet with 7.9 inches of rain the first three weeks, and not much wheat harvested that was fit to thrash, and no rain since the 21st, with temperature in the daytime high nineties and low hundreds.

Market Report: Fat Cattle took sharp drop the last weeks with tops at $52 Cwt.; Choice Feeders, $30 to 34.75 Cwt.; Fat Hogs, $56 to 60.50 Cwt.; Feeder Pigs, steady; Choice Veal, $45 to $60 Cwt.; Dairy Cows at New Holland, $300 to $800; Corn, $65 to $85 Ton, 2.95 Bu.; Wheat, 3.30 Bu.; Sprouted Wheat, 1.75 Bu.; Barley, 1.70 Bu.; Oats, 1.60 Bu.; Straw, $50 Ton; Hay, $42 to $80 Ton; Large Eggs, 59¢ Doz.; Potatoes retail at 12.00 Cwt.

by Ammon F. Fisher

Total rainfall for July was 7.4 inches. July 1st was very nice, nights were cool; 3rd, 1.3 rain, thunder shower with hail; Monday, 14th, creek was overflowed and lot of places floods. July 20th, very humid with 90 degrees, 1 inch thunder shower in p.m. and eve. July 23rd, very warm, 100 degrees. Wednesday, the 9th we had a slow thunder storm all afternoon which killed about 25 head of cattle, the most was 11 head for Jacob M. Fisher, Christiana R1. It also struck Enos H. Fisher's house and barn near Smoketown, but they had the fire out till the fire engine arrived.

by Elam S. Beiler

Over half of wheat was thrashed beginning of month than we had wet weather and was not finished till latter part of month. Some shocks were standing over four weeks; yield from 17 to 45, mostly in 40 range. Test weight was not good on wheat which stood so long as it had sprouted. Straw was an average yield. Corn is tall as it grew fast when it was wet except low and springy spots in fields it is short and was yellow. Tobacco is very irregular, early will be heavy and soon ready to cut, and some is not more than well started, is very infested with aphids. Second cutting hay was hard to get without rain first half of month. Some nice hay went in latter part of month, especially mixed fields did very well. Tomato picking is starting now, it was too wet for them but they look better now. More were put out this year.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

July had wet and growing weather with a total of 5.5 inches of rain. Not much wheat was threshed until the last two weeks, and some of it was sprouted on the shocks . Some nice second crop hay was made the last week . Oats is on shocks and about ready to thresh. Pastures have been green and growing so far this summer .

Bradford County, Pennsylvania, by Clemens Nissley

The weather in July was on the wet side with 6.5 inches rainfall . Up to the ninth it was good hay weather, but from then to the 23rd not much hay was put in . Still some hay to cut; second crop is coming nicely. Oats is being cut and shocked and is a heavy crop . Corn looks promising except for low spots .

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs .Menno Beiler

July had a lot of cloudy weather, but not much rain. July 6 we had thunder in afternoon and evening, no rain here, but several miles west they had some. The last week in July it was very warm, especially the 31st, with no breeze going. Warm nights, and it is getting very dry . Some folks have sprinklers going in gardens . Field tomatoes are ripening. The oats is off, wheat is threshed .

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam M.. Troyer

We have dry weather. Corn on the more shallow soil is rolling. Oats is being harvested and seems to be a good crop . Peaches and early apples are plentiful, so are blueberries. Sam S. Troyer is selling them for 75¢ per qt . We had about 2 inches of rain in July .

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

July was a warm dry month with mostly cool nights. Low was 48, high 98 . We had about an inch of rain . It seems a little dry in most places, but pastures are still surprisingly green although corn looks wilty . Farmers took advantage of the dry weather . Some nice second cutting hay was put away, and oats and wheat was threshed without delay . Katy-dids were first heard July 30 .

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y. Renno

July was mostly warm and dry. Total rainfall was 2¼ inches, most of it in the beginning of the month. Temperature was in the upper 90's most days. The latter part of the month was hot and dry. Farmers got some excellent second cutting hay in. Harvest was all put in during July except for some late oats. Wheat and oats yielded only medium with lots of straw. Corn is tall and needs rain.

Path Valley, Pennsylvania, by Daniel Z. Beiler

We had good growing weather this month, until last week was very warm, with no rain, good hay weather. Second cutting alfalfa was mostly put in the last few weeks. Thrashing mostly done, yields average. Corn looks good but needs rain.

Franklin County, Pa., by Jacob E. Flaud

The early part of the month we had good harvest weather, then the second week we had some good rains. Corn is looking good, harvest is finished, and second cutting alfalfa is about all made, a real good crop. But the last part of the month it was real warm, kind of a heat wave. Corn is in need of rain again. Temperature was in the 90's and up to 104 degrees several days.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

We had a total of 4.1 in. rainfall in July, with no rain during the last week. Our warmest days were near the end of the month when temperature went up to the high 90's. Wheat harvest was in full swing, which is an average crop making lots of straw. Buyers are paying $3 per bushel. Second cutting alfalfa is being made. Gardens are doing well.

Oakland, Maryland, by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

June was wet the first part of the month, but the last part was nice hay weather. We had occasional showers in July, and unusually warm these two months which made good growing weather for corn. Barley was a good crop.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Mary A. Kinsinger

July has been quite warm and on the dry side. We had almost 3 inches of rain in scattered showers. The wheat is being threshed and some early oats is being cut. Sweet corn and tomatoes are on the menu.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Fisher

July was mostly warm and sunny, at times humid, with not much rain. Thundershowers the middle of the month and again the last week. It is much drier all spring and summer than we have been used to. The crops look better than previous years; corn looks especially good for here. Second crop hay is mostly all in, with no rain. Gardens look dry, lawns are brown. Sweet corn is ready. Some farmers have cut their oats.

Conewango Valley, New York

We had some hard thunderstorms during July, also some hard rains, but we had dry, too, the forepart of the month. Lots of hay got some wet, but more was put up without rain. Cherries were plentif blueberries, which are early. Blackber ripening and look to be a bumper crop. We have had a plentiful summer, and mostly early.

Orwell, Ohio, by Mrs. Albert Mast

July weather was quite nice. We had rain off and on, when it was needed. Corn was planted before the wet spell in the spring, was way over knee high by the 4th of July. Cherries were plentiful this year, 35¢ lb. pick your own, or in some stores they were 49¢ (sweet). Men are making second cutting hay and combining. Milk is down under $8 cwt.

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

The weather for July has been exceedingly warm with a few dry spells, although we have had several good rains. Hay making was a long out-stretched season, with some making second crop while others were still on their first crop. Wheat threshing is in full swing with fair yields. Corn is a fair crop for some while others have some poor-looking fields due to wet weather and weeds took over.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

We had about 3½ inches rain in July, mostly the first half of the month, and it is quite dry now. Threshing machines are humming. Some people are done, still some threshing to do. Wheat and oats are a good yield. Cherries were plentiful and so are peaches. Peaches are starting to ripen; blackberries seem to be a short crop; lots of raspberries. It is very warm and humid.

Southeastern Holmes, by John L. Yoder

We had quite a few hot and humid days in July, some rainfall, but quite a variation within a few mi. Wheat is all threshed, and oats threshing just coming to an end. Second crop hay is about all made; was a nice but short crop. Spring pastures look brown. Some are pasturing clover fields which still have a good color. Not much wear on lawn mowers the last few weeks. Corn looks good yet, will need occasional showers. Wheat price was $3.45 this week. Pi are still high; beef about holding its own.

Western Holmes County, by Monroe A. Weaver

We had 5 inches rain in June, and no rain the last ten days. Nine days it was 90 or warmer. Normal July weather, good growing weather, rains were very spotty. Wheat is about all threshed, some to combine yet with good yields. Farmers are threshing oats and making second cutting hay. Real good second alfalfa hay is selling up to $80 a ton. It is worth as much per lb. as oats for livestock feed. Hogs hit $60 cwt, good 45 to 50 lb. pigs around $1 lb., lighter pigs higher per lb. Pigs have a new high and calves a new low, feeders as low as $15 cwt.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Thrashing is all done in this neighborhood with good yields and good quality. Some very nice second cutting hay went in the last week. Corn looks very good with the rains of late. Vegetables are plentiful. It seemed to be a little dry the latter part of July, but received some rain again. Hogs just under 60¢ per pound, Wheat slightly over $3.00 per bushel.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Lovina J. Miller

July was very warm with some days nearly 100. Threshing is on the go, with not a very good yield of wheat. We had a very good rain near the end of the month, and also two weeks ago. Early apples are quite plentiful, so is sweet corn. Second crop hay will soon be ready to mow.

We are having the highest heat wave in history, or as far back as I can remember, 103 at our house, and rain would be needed. Oats thrashing is in full swing with some yielding 70 bu. to the acre.

by Mary Yoder

July was very dry and warm. Some corn curled up. Wheat and oats that has been threshed is a good crop.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Katie Brenneman

The forepart of July was good growing weather with some nice showers, but became more warm and dry through the latter part. Temperature up to 100 in the shade. Threshing is about done. Wheat yielded up to 35 bu. per acre and oats around 80. Second cutting hay is nice.

Danville Ohio, by Mrs. Tobe Hostetler

Weather is on the dry side. Corn is starting to show it during the heat of the day. We were blessed abundantly with hay, wheat and oats, also wegetables and fruit so far this spring and summer.

Utica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin E. Hershberger

July was very warm and humid. The rainfall was about 3¼ inches. High was 91 on the 30th, low 45 on the 12th. We had just four days that the temperature wasn't 80 or more. It is very dry at present, corn fields will need rain shortly or they will be harmed. Men are working on oats and straw; oats did pretty good. Sugar is going up in price again, and some stores you cannot get any or limited amount.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

The first part of July was normal, good hay drying weather. The night of the 17th we had thunder storms with 2½ inches of rain. We have had more thunder and lightning storms this summer than we have had since we are living up here. The last few days of the month were very warm with temperatures in the nineties and up to 100 degrees. First crop hay was good, second crop is being made now. With the good growing weather gardens have produced abundantly. Huckleberries are in season and are plentiful. These are pick your own on state and federal land on sandy soil. The plants are from six to ten inches tall.

Montgomery, Michigan, by Mrs. Noah N. Eicher

We had a wet May and June, was hard to get hay dry. Lots of days were sunny, but humid and not clear. From May 15 to June 15 we had 7 inches rain. Corn was waist high and some fence high by the 4th of July. Hay is a heavy crop and second cutting is being made. Wheat combining is done, and Amish farmers are threshing. Oats is ready to cut. Wheat is not yielding very high. We have somewhat dry now. Vegetable plants and sweet corn are curling through the day. Ground gets hot and dry quicker here in the sand.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

We had 2½ in. rain the forepart of July, with most of us wishing for rain the last two weeks. Late corn is hurting for lack of moisture. Wheat is not as good as expected due to wet weather in April and May. Yields were from 22 to 41 bu. per A. Oats from 44 to 70 bu. Wheat price $3.30. Live hogs 59¢; milk $6.40 for 3.5 base.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

Hot and dry with intervals of cool nights. No measureable rain since the first week in July, except the northern edge of the settlement. Oat crop looks good, wheat fair, but corn looks very poor. Too much rain in June caused leaching, and July too dry. Hogs are high, beef good, but veal is not bringing more than grown cattle. I guess we'll sell the cattle and eat the veal.

Centreville, Michigan, by Tobe LeRoy Yoder

July had rain 2 and 3 then it was hot dry. Corn is looking bad. Very good thrashing weather. Wheat made 50 bu. an acre, Oats, 65 bu.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

July was a hot humid month, with very little rain, a few days were in the 90's. Oats is all thrashed and a fairly good yield. The hot and dry weather was hard on the corn.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

July was of warm weather all through, but also a little of cooler breezes. We had ample rains until after the 20th, and some crops are suffering. Wheat is about all harvested, yielding from 35 to 40 bu. Oats is being threshed with good yields. Pickles were extra good, but are suffering from the 90 degree weather. Tomatoes are starting to ripen and seem to be a good crop. Fruit has been extra good this year, and women work hard canning in spite of the lid situation. Right now it is very warm and is drying up fast. We are hoping for rain.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

July started in cool. Rainy and cool the 12th and 13th. The 16th warm at 83. Several showers on the 18th which stopped wheat threshing, 19th rain. No rain for the last 1½ weeks, good to make hay and thresh oats, but the gardens and yards are getting very dry. Plenty of sweet corn to eat; some have lima beans and tomatoes. Blueberries are ripe. Wheat yields were very good.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

We had some very typical July weather, mostly warm and humid, with the rainfall total coming to less than two inches. The light scattered showers, about once a week were a great help to crops and gardens. It was getting a little dry towards the end of the month but nothing seemed to suffer too much from it as everything is producing well. Tomatoes and sweet corn were becoming quite plentiful although our first tomatoes had some blight and dry rot problems.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

Crops have been very good so far. Wheat was a good crop and has been harvested, mostly combined, yields of about 60 bu. Oats is almost harvested with yields as high as 98 bu., a few as low as 50 bu. We had about 8 inches rainfall in July, delaying threshing the last week. Corn looks very good. Not much water damage in corn, but several fields of oats showed some damage and some weed growth. Garden things were plentiful so far. Strawberries, peas and beans, sweet corn, now fall apples. The winter apple trees are loaded with nice fruit, not many wormy ones. Peach trees are rather scarce on account of the late freeze a year ago, but there are some nice ones. Everybody seems to have can and can lid troubles. You can buy some new cans, but they come without lids.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

This will be a year to be remembered. It is drier than it has been for 23 years. Corn yield will be cut 50% to 70% in some areas. Some fields the leaves are dead halfway into the stalk. It is too early to tell about beans, but they are hurt, too. Lots did not even come up, and what came were stunted. It has been showering here and there, with some areas getting 3 inches, and others only ½ inch the last week. We are still hoping for a good general rain. Many cattle were sent to market because of lack of feed. Market was flooded and some sold for as low as 12¢ to 14¢ a poudd.

Ethridge, Tennessee, by Jacob J. Gingerich

Rainfall for July is a low 2.8 inches, still dry at some places and wet at others. Temperature has been steady, low 55 high 88. Most crops look good. Peaches from Georgia are selling at $5 a bushel. Early peaches from a fruit market in Lawrenceburg sold at $6 to $6.50 a box of 38 lb. Grapes are ripe and a good crop. Watermelons and muskmelons are also on the menu. Canning season is easing off, but not over yet. Wild blackberries were selling at $3 for a molasses canful. Sugar had been at a low $2.15 per 10 lb. bag, but has gone up again to $2.83, and is limited so much to a customer. The pimiento plant will open for pimientos on Aug. 4. Cattle, hogs, pigs, and feed prices are holding about the same, slightly higher if any change.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by Mrs. E. E. Schrock

July has been a hot and dry month. A lot of alfalfa has been put up, being a good yield with all the nice rains we had in June. Wheat price has gone up a little, $3.58 bu. now. Fat hogs are 56¢ lb. Sugar has come down, was $2.59 for 10 lbs. this week. It had been up to $6 for 10 pounds.

Reno County (Partridge), Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

July was a little on the dry side. We had a total of ½ inch rain, all the first week. Most of the milo is still looking good because of the good subsoil moisture we had, but could use rain before too long. Most of the wheat ground has been plowed or chiseled in good shape. If we can stop the weeds or all growth the ground will hold its moisture. There are still some coyotes in the area, but jack rabbits are scarce.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS GREAT,
BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW
M.S.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

We had nice growing weather through June. We had 2 inches rain June 25, but none since then, except light showers in July. Temperature hovers between 90 and 100 in the daytime. Some corn fields are suffering quite a bit, and pastures are pretty well dried up.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

We had nice rains until corn was almost tasseling. July had very little rain and is very dry. Second crop hay was good, though. Threshing is all done. Men folks are working at Jake Byler's new house, to replace the one that burned. Garden things were plentiful this year, also fruits and berries were a bountiful crop.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

Rainfall for July was 3/10 inch on the 11th, plus several light showers. Temperature had dropped to the low 50's over the 13th. Row crops are being hurt from drought and high 90's heat the last week of July. Pastures are bare. Threshing was mostly completed by July 26. Best oats yielded 40 bu, while others just half that. Peaches are being trucked in from Illinois, sell for $5 per bushel.

Anabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

June brought us a fair amount of moisture. It was somewhat cool the forepart of the month and very warm and humid the last few days. July has been warm and dry. We had a few sprinklers, enough to lay the dust. Ground is getting big cracks. Gardens are dying that are not watered. Some sweet corn ears were without kernels. Women are canning corn and tomatoes. A few people are building milkhouses in hopes to start selling milk again. No milk sold since July 15. Second cutting hay was short and hard to get. Oats yielded fair to good. Very few blackberries this year.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

Since July 1 the rains have slowed down and we are more and more on the dry side as time goes on. Only spotted showers this month. Pastures are dry, and second crop hay is light. Early corn held up pretty good, but later fields are hurt more. We have had many warm days, 90 to 100 a few days.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

High for the month was 95, with ten days of 90 degree temperature, and over 9/10 inch of rain. Corn is suffering on lighter soil from heat and drouth. Oat thrashing is well underway with a fair yield and quality.

Milton, Iowa, by Delbert R. Schmucker

We had 3.7 inches of rain in June, ideal growing weather, couple weeks of warm muggy weather, a high of 98, low, 46 degrees. Grain market up and down; Hogs steady; Cattle down a little.

July was warm and dry, 3/10 inch of rain was all we got, some got 1.7 inches. Corn is firing real bad. Thrashing mostly done, fair to good crop. Corn and beans up as of dry weather. State of Iowa as a whole had .83 of an inch rainfall. Hogs steady.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

July was mostly dry and warm, although there were several days from the 15th to 18th that were nice and cool. Oats for threshing were nearly all on shock by July 17, and some already combined. Corn is further along than it usually is at this date, but needs rain.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Moses S. Miller

July was mostly hot. We had about a week of cool, damp weather, some nice rains. The latter part of the month was quite dry. Gardens are good, oats is mostly cut and shocked. Corn is suffering from drought.

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker Jr.

The week of July 6th we had very cool and it rained quite often. The rest of the month was warm. It is getting dry, a good rain would be welcome. Haying is about over and oats is starting to be cut. Army worms were a problem the last of the month.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

Weather was really warm in July. We had nice little showers now and then. The last week was extra warm and quite dry, temperature above normal, over 90. Lawns are turning brown and corn is curling. Oats is being cut and shocked. Hog prices are still high, cattle prices down. Canning lids are scarce.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Joe C. Borntreger

The weather has been nice with occasional showers up to July 23, but it is getting dry since. Corn is mostly tasseled and still is a good healthy color. Wheat and oats are mostly cut. Some wheat is threshed, while some oats fields are still green. Sweet corn is ready to eat, tomatoes are starting to turn, and potatoes are big enough to dig some nice big ones. Second cutting hay is being put up and is a fair crop.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William M. Schrock, Sr.

We had a lot of nice weather in July, had rain four times, on the 7th, 9th, 22nd, and 31st. We had lots of nice hay weather. A lot of hay was put up and oats cut. We had warm days. Some corn is lacking moisture. Our warmest day was July 29, up to 100 in the shade. A lot of irrigating done in gardens.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

We had nice haying weather, had a few showers, but no spoiled hay. Hay was a good crop. Quebec buyers are paying $1.25 a bale. Corn is growing very nicely. Garden things are good. Some late peas turned brown and did not bear. Oats is turning color and will soon be ready to cut.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Emanuel Peachey

July had mostly very warm weather. It was on the dry side until over the 19th and 20th, then we had 3 inches rain. Since then we didn't have any, but it is threatening the last few days. Second crop hay is made. Oats are being cut. Some fields are down quite a bit due to the heavy rain and wind over the 19th.

St. Marys, Ont. (Lakeside Dist.), by Abe Hochstetler

June had average rainfall till after the middle of month, then started a dry spell to middle of July. A few inches of rain at this time was much needed. Corn is further along than usual at this time of year. Twisters or tornados are not common in Canada but can occur as happened on eve of July 13th in St. Pauls area some eight miles northeast of here, totally demolishing a newly erected house, a few barns and roofs. Hog prices remain high, fat cattle sluggish.

Grey County, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

The first halg of July was very dry, with corn shriveling up over the noon period. July 19th brought us a couple inches of rain, and more followed later, which made ideal growing weather. Corn is in tassels and early grain is being cut. Hay was a fair crop and went in in good condition. Sweet corn is ready to eat, also early tomatoes, etc. Fat Hogs are very high, having reached the 80¢ mark, dressed weight. Feeder cattle are still cheap.

GREENVILLE, MICH. SETTLEMENT STARTED IN 1973

By Eli J. Byler, Montcalm County

There are now thirteen Amish families living here, counting a few young couples. The first family moving here was Mose N. Shetler in the late fall of 1973, and six families in the winter and spring of 1974. Farm crops are corn, oats, wheat, and hay. Potatoes do well here, also cucumbers, beans, and peas. Some farmers around here are raising them in a big way, whole farms in potatoes. These crops are being harvested with big machines. There seems to be a good market for pickles, some of our group are trying their luck raising pickles this summer in a smaller way. We had good growing weather all summer. People here say they don't remember ever seeing corn so far along by this time of the year, it was in tassel soon after July 4th. A year ago we had a very dry July.

Habt acht auf die Kinder.

In diese freie gnade Zeit haben wir die gelegenheit unsere Kinder lehren was uns gut dünkt. Es ist viel daran gelegen was sie lernen in ihre junge zarte Jahren. Sie glauben was der Vater und die Mutter sie sagen. Mit hörenden Ohren und offene Herzen nehmen sie mit freuden dem Wort Jesu auf. Sie hören gerne die Geschichten von David und Samuel und die andere Kinder in die Bibel.

Wir haben auch die Freiheit unsere Kinder in unsere eigne Schulen schicken um weiter zu lernen ein frommes Leben führen. Dies ist eine gute Sach aber unsere Lehrern beklagen es daß die Ordnung und die Muttersprach mehr verlohren geht denn zuvor. Es scheint daß der erhebungs Geist will überhand nehmen wo so viel Kinder täglich bei einander sein. O! was für ein Gewicht thut es auf uns Eltern für die Kinder die Niedrigkeit recht ans Herz legen in die zarte Jahren.

Die Sonnen Uhr

Die Sonne, wenn ſie aufgehet, verkündiget ſie den Tag;
ſie iſt ein Wunderwerk des Höchſten.
Und der Mond in aller welt muſz ſche'nen zu ſeiner Zeit,
und die Monate unterſcheiden, und das Jahr austheilen.
Nach dem Mond rechnet man die Feſte; es iſt ein Licht,
das abnimmt, und wieder zunimmt.
Er hat den Himmel fein rund gemacht, und die Hand des Höchſten hat ihn ausgebreitet.

Waſchington's Traumbild.

Folgende Schilderung wurde erzählt von Anton Schermann, einem 90jährigen Greis, welcher den Bericht von Waſchington's eigenen Lippen vernommen.

Die dunkelſte Periode unſerer Revolution war im Jahre 1777, als Waſchington nach verſchiedenen Wiederwärtigkeiten ſich nach Valley Forge zurückzog, um daſelbſt zu überwintern. Oft ſah ich die Thränen über die Wangen unſeres geliebten Commandanten fließen, als er über die Leiden ſeiner braven Soldaten nachdachte. Waſchington hatte es im Gebrauch, im Geheimen zu beten und Gott um Seinen Beiſtand anzuflehen; nur allein die treue Hülfe Gottes hat uns ſicher durch jene dunklen Tage der Trübſal gebracht.

Eines Tages brachte Waſchington den ganzen Nachmittag allein in ſeinem Zimmer zu. Als er herauskam, bemerkte ich, daß er mehr blaß ausſah als gewöhnlich, worauf er ſelbſt Folgendes erzählte.

Als ich dieſen Nachmittag an meinem Tiſche ſaß im Schreiben beſchäftigt und mein Gemüth mit Sorgen beſchwert, da gewahrte ich auf einmal gerade gegenüber von mir ein überaus ſchönes Weibsbild. Ich war ſo ſehr überraſcht –– denn ich hatte ſtrenge Order erlaſſen, daß mich Niemand ſtören ſollte — daß ich nicht ſogleich Worte finden konnte, um mich nach der Abſicht dieſes unerwarteten Beſuches zu erkundigen. Zwei, drei, ja viermal wiederholte ich die Frage, ohne eine Antwort zu erhalten; nur erhob ſie ihre Augen ein wenig.

Jetzt fühlte ich einen ſonderbaren Eindruck über meinen ganzen Körper. Ich wäre aufgeſtanden, aber der ſtarre Blick meines geheimnißvollen Beſuchers machte mich willenlos. Ich verſuchte nochmals, ſie anzureden, aber meine Zunge war gebunden. Eine unbekannte, geheimnißvolle, unwiderſtehliche Macht nahm mich gefangen. Ich konnte nicht mehr thun, als die Erſcheinung mit ſtetem Blicke anzuſtarren. Nach und nach wurde das Zimmer mit Licht erfüllt, und die Geſtalt ſelbſt wurde mehr leuchtend und klar. Ich hatte jetzt die Gefühle eines Sterbenden. Ich konnte nicht denken, nicht überlegen, keine Bewegung machen. Ich bin mir nur unbewußt, daß ich ſtarr auf die Geſtalt hinblickte.

Jetzt hörte ich eine Stimme: „Sohn der Republik, blicke auf und lerne!" Zugleich ſtreckte die Geſtalt den Arm aus und deutete mit dem Finger gegen Oſten. Helle Wolken ſtiegen auf in der Ferne, dieſe hoben ſich auf, und ein erſtaunliches Bild eröffnete ſich meinen Augen. Vor mir lagen alle Länder der Erden ausgebreitet — Europa, Aſien, Afrika und Amerika. Zwiſchen Europa und Amerika ſah ich die Wogen des Atlantiſchen Meeres ſich hin- und herbewegen, und zwiſchen Amerika und Aſien die Wogen des Stillen Meeres. Ich hörte abermals die Stimme: „Sohn der Republik, blicke auf und lerne!"

Augenblicklich ſah ich eine dunkle Geſtalt wie ein Engel über dem Meer zwiſchen Europa und Amerika ſchweben. Er ſchöpfte Waſſer aus dem Meer mit beiden Händen und ſprengte es mit ſeiner Rechten über Amerika, und mit der linken über Europa. Augenblicklich erhoben ſich ſchwarze Wolken aus dieſen beiden Welttheilen, die ſich in der Mitte des Meeres begegneten; da ſtanden ſie eine Zeitlang ſtill, bewegten ſich dann weſtlich und umhüllten dann das amerikaniſche Feſtland. Zuckende Blitze leuchteten durch die dunklen Wolken, und ich hörte das Seufzen und Jammern des amerikaniſchen Volkes.

Wiederum ſchöpfte der Engel Waſſer aus dem Meere, und ſprengte es aus, wie zuvor. Die ſchwarze Wolke zog ſich zurück und ſenkte ſich in das Meer. Zum dritten Mal hörte ich die Stimme: „Sohn der Republik blicke auf und lerne!"

Ich blickte nach Amerika und ſah volkreiche Dörfer, Städte und Felder ſich ausbreiten von der Atlantiſchen Küſte bis zum Stillen Meer. Wiederum hörte ich die geheimnisvolle Stimme: „Sohn der Republik, das Ende eines Jahrhunderts nahet heran, blicke auf und lerne!"

Hierauf wandte ſich die dunkle Engelgeſtalt gegen Süden, und von Afrika her erblickte ich ein unheimliches Geſpenſt ſich unſerem Lande nahen. Es flatterte langſam und ſchwer über die Städte und das Land; die Bevölkerung erhob ſich zum Krieg und ſtand in Schlachtordnung, ein Theil dem andern gegenüber. Als ich dieſe Scene anſchaute, erblickte ich einen hellen Engel; auf ſeinem Haupte eine herrliche Krone, worauf das Wort „Union" geſchrieben ſtand; in ſeiner Hand trug er das amerikaniſche Sternenbanner und pflanzte es zwiſchen die beiden Armeen auf, indem er ausrief: „Bedenket, Ihr ſeid Brüder!"

Augenblicklich warfen die Völker ihre Waffen weg, wurden wieder Freunde und ſchaarten ſich um das Sternenbanner. Wiederum hörte ich die geheimnißvolle Stimme: „Sohn der Republik die 2te Gefahr iſt vorüber, blicke auf und lerne!"

Und ich ſahe Dörfer und Städte und Felder beſtändig an Zahl und Größe zunehmen, bis das ganze Land bedeckt war von dem Atlantiſchen Ozean bis zum Stillen Meere, und das Volk war wie die Sterne am Himmel unzählig, und wie der Sand am Ufer des Meeres. Wiederum hörte ich die Stimme: „Sohn der Republik, das Ende eines Jahrhunderts nahet heran, blicke auf und lerne!“

Hierauf hob der dunkle Engel eine Poſaune an ſeinen Mund, ſtieß dreimal in dieſelbe, ſchöpfte Waſſer mit der Hand aus dem Meer und ſprengte es über Europa, Aſien und Afrika.

Jetzt erblickten meine Augen eine furchtbare Scene. Aus einem jeden dieſer Länder ſtießen ſchwere, dunkle Wolken auf und vereinigten ſich in eine Maſſe; durch dieſe ſchwere Maſſe zuckte dunkelrothes Licht; ich ſah Schaaren bewaffneter Männer, ſie marſchierten über das Land, und ſegelten über den Ocean nach Amerika, welches alsbald mit der Wolke bedeckt ward. Und ich ſah, wie dieſe ungeheuren Armeen das Land verwüſteten und Städte und Dörfer verbrannten. Und als ich den Donner der Kanonen, das Geklirr der Schwerter das Jauchzen und den Wehruf der im tödtlichen Kampf begriffenen Millionen vernahm, da hörte ich abermals die geheimnißvolle Stimme: „Sohn der Republik, blicke auf und lerne!“

Hierauf hob der dunkle Engel die Poſaune wieder auf und that einen langen, furchtbaren Stoß hinein. Plötzlich brach ein Licht hervor, es vertrieb die über dem amerikaniſchen Feſtland ſchwebende dunkle Wolke. Zugleich ſah ich den Engel mit der herrlichen Krone, worauf das Wort „Union“ ſtand mit dem amerikaniſchen Sternenbanner in der einen Hand und einem Schwert in der andern vom Himmel herabkommen, von Legionen verklärter Geiſter begleitet. Dieſe geſellten ſich ſogleich zu dem amerikaniſchen Volke, welches beinahe überwältigt war, aber jetzt wieder neuen Muth faßte und ſeine Schlachtordnung erneuerte. Wiederum unter dem fürchterlichen Kriegsgetümmel hörte ich die geheimnißvolle Stimme: „Sohn der Republik, blicke auf und lerne!“

Nach dieſer Stimme ſchöpfte der dunkle Engel zum letzten Mal Waſſer aus dem Meer und ſprengte es über Amerika, und augenblicklich wälzte ſich die dunkle Wolke zurück mit den Armeen, welche ſie mitgebracht hatte, den Amerikanern den Sieg überlaſſend. Alsdann ſah ich wiederum Dörfer und Städte ſich erheben, wo ſie zuvor geſtanden hatten, während der verklärte Engel das Sternenbanner unter dem Volke aufpflanzte und mit lauter Stimme rief: „So lange die Sterne am Himmel ſtehen, und der Himmel Thau über die Erde verbreitet, ſo lange ſoll die Republik beſtehen!“ Und indem er die herrliche Krone von ſeinem Haupte nahm, worauf das Wort „Union“ ſtand, ſetzte er ſie dem Sternenbanner auf, und alles Volk, das da niedergekniet war, rief aus: Amen!

Jetzt fing die Erſcheinung an nach und nach zu verſchwinden, und endlich ſtand nur noch das geheimnißvolle Weibsbild in meinem Zimmer vor mir, und ich hörte die Stimme wieder: „Sohn der Republik, was du geſehen haſt, wird folgendermaßen erklärt: Drei Gefahren kommen über die Republik; die zweite iſt die größte: wenn dieſe überſtanden, kann ſie die ganze Welt nicht überwinden. Jedes Kind der Republik lerne, ſeinem Gott, ſeinem Vaterlande und der Union zu dienen.

Mit dieſen Worten verſchwand die Geſtalt. Ich ſtand auf meinem Stuhl, und habe die Überzeugung, daß mir die Geburt, der Fortſchritt und das Schickſal der Republik der Ver. Staaten von Amerika geoffenbart worden iſt.

„Dieſe Worte,“ ſagte Herr Scherman, „hörte ich ſelbſt von den Lippen des Generals Waſchington.

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THE TRUE HERO

One very rainy day, when I could not go out into the fields, I read an account of many great men called heros, who lived in England, and other countries, many years ago.

My head was full of battles and sieges—of storming castles and taking cities, so that, at night, while eating my supper, I began to tell my father what I had been reading, and what I thought about the matter.

"Father," said I, after we had been talking some time, "I should like to be a great man: I should like to be a hero, and lead an army to battle."

My father looked at me, and smiled. I suppose he thought I did not look much like a hero. "Can you not be a great man," said he, "without leading an army to battle?"

"No; not a hero, father," said I. "I could not be a hero, I suppose, unless I had shown great courage, and had been in many battles."

"What do you mean by a hero?" asked my father. Here I felt a little puzzled.

"A hero," said I, at last, "is a great man,—one who has done great deeds, and is very bold, and fights well in battle. Why, father, I am sure you know what is meant by a hero."

"Well, then, as to my views of the subject," said my father, "a man may be a hero, and you may be one, without ever having been on a battle-field. It is not necessary that a man should go to war, in order to prove himself a hero.

"I have read of many who have done great deeds, and who were very bold, and did not mind pain, if they had to suffer in a good cause. These, I think, were heros, indeed, though, they never went to battle.

"The heroes I like to read about, wished to save men's lives, rather than to destroy them, and to bring peace upon the earth, instead of a sword.

"Some of these heroes had to endure great hardships, and even give up their lives for the truth. Some, like the great and good Howard, went from one country to another, and visited the sick in their prisons, that they might do good to their fellow-men.

"These are the heroes, my son, whose good deeds should cause our hearts to glow with a desire to imitate their noble conduct."

My father then tried to explain to me, that the true hero is one who is full of courage for the truth, and tries to do good to all men.

Here, then, was a lesson which I learned when I was not more than twelve years of age. And I never hear ony one spoken of as a great man, without saying to myself, "I wonder whether he would be one of my father's heroes."

The Hour Glass

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE JOHANNES OR HANS AND ANNA LANTZ FAMILY

By Amos L. Fisher

Continued from last month

After the death of Mary Plank, wife of (30) John Lantz (2), John remarried to Sarah Hostetler. To this union were born three children: (36) Samuel Lantz (30), married to Emma Yoder, lived at Carlock, Iowa. No children were born to this union. (37) Eli Lantz (30), married to Lydia Stutzman. They lived in Illinois and Florida. (37) Melinda Lantz (30), married to John Moore of Iowa.

The next son of Christian and Catharine Lantz of family No. 2 was (38) Samuel Lantz (2), born in Mifflin County Aug. 20, 1799. He married to Mattie Plank, born in 1794, died in 1891. They lived in Logan County, Ohio where Samuel died in 1870. Their children were (39) Jonathan Lantz (38), born Nov. 18, 1820 in Mifflin County, died Dec. 13, 1902 in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania. He was ordained minister and bishop of that place, and was married to Maria Kurtz, born March 13, 1825 in Mifflin County, died Feb. 5, 1903, daughter of John and Anna (Hostetler) Kurtz of Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. Their children are (40) Anna Lantz (39), born in 1855, married to Joshua King, son of Shem and Annie (Zook) King. They resided at Hartville, Ohio. No children were born to this union. (41) Magdalena Lantz (39), born in Lawrence County Jan. 11, 1857, died in 1935, married to John Z. King, son of Shem and Annie (Zook) King. Their children are: (42) Mary Ellen King (41), born in 1879, married to Enoch Byler of New Wilmington, Pennsylvania. There is a large offspring of this family living in Lawrence and Mercer Counties, Pennsylvania, and also in Geauga County, Ohio. (43) Lydia Ann King (41), born in Lawrence County in 1881, married to John K. Lapp, son of Isaac Z. and Elizabeth (Kauffman) Lapp (Isaac being a son of Valley John Lapp of Lancaster County). Their children are Alva Lapp married to Barbara Mast, Nappanee, Indiana; Rebecca Lapp married to Jerome Overhold, Hartville, Ohio; Sarah Ellen Lapp, married to Abner Yoder. They only had one daughter, Anna Mae, who died in 1968 leaving eight children: Elsie Lapp married to Henry Raber; Andrew K. Lapp married to Clara Sommers, daughter of Benjamin and Ada (Hostetler) Sommers, Andrew was ordained minister in 1952 and bishop in 1971, their present address is Uniontown, Ohio; Rachel Lapp married Alvin Raber; Ina Mae Lapp married to Noah B. Troyer, born at Hutchinson, Kansas.

(44) Milo L. King (41), born in 1883 in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania, died in 1912, married in 1905 to Magdalena Byler, born in 1887, daughter of Adam and Anna W. (Bender) Byler of Middlefield, Ohio. Magdalena Married second to Ammon D. Miller, who was born in 1876 in Holmes County, Ohio, died in 1951 at Dover, Delaware. She married third to Eli S. Miller in 1952. He is the present bishop in Dover, Delaware.

To Milo and Magdalena King were born three children—namely, Anna born in 1906, died in 1922; Mattie King married to Preacher Jonas I. Yoder of Dover, Delaware, son of Ira Yoder, which we had mentioned before in this article; (45) John M. King (44), born in 1911 at Middlefield, Ohio, died in 1968 at Dover, Delaware, married to Mattie Miller, daughter of Daniel D. and Eliza Y. (Miller) Miller.

(46) Sadie L. King (41), born in 1884, married to Seth H. Byler, he was minister and bishop at Hartville in Stark County, Ohio where some of their children now live.

(47) Amanda King (41), married to Wallace W. Zook, son of Jacob and Sarah (Kauffman) Zook of Lawrence County, Pennsylvania. They also lived in Stark County, Ohio.

(48) Rebecca L. King (41), married to Valentine Schlabach, Stark County, Ohio. (49) Jonathan King (41), married to Fannie Overholt, he was minister and bishop at Uniontown, Ohio. (50) John King (41), married to Mary Overholt, also of Uniontown, Ohio.

Another child of Jonathan Lantz was (51) John K. Lantz (39), married to Lydia Lantz, daughter of Simeon and Mary (Plank) Lantz. They lived in Cove, Oregon. He was a contractor, builder, and fruit grower. (52) Jonathan Lantz (39), born in 1862, married first to Nancy Detweiler, second to Malinda (Byler) Detweiler, Lawrence County, Pennsylvania. (53) Mary Lantz (39), married to Jacob Kauffman.

Another son of Samuel and Mattie (Plank) Lantz is (54) Solomon Lantz (38), born Oct. 5, 1824, died in 1816 in Woodford County, Illinois. He married Malinda Yoder. (55) Samuel Lantz (38), lived at Mottville, Michigan, had three children. (56) Rebecca Lantz, born in 1826, married to a man by the name of Mery, and had five sons—namely, John, Samuel, Jonathan, Joseph, and Solomon. They lived in Champaign County, Ohio. (57) Fannie Lantz (38), born in 1833, married to John Zook, the son of Joseph and Mattie (Yoder) Zook, the son of Preacher Hans Zook of Mifflin County. They lived in Cass County, Missouri, with seven children—namely, Mattie, Salina, Joseph, John, Levi, Menno, and Jonathan Zook. (58) John Lantz (38), born in 1835, married to Sarah Plank, born in 1836, died in 1909. They lived at West Liberty, Ohio where they raised a large family. (59) Isaac Lantz (38), born in 1840, married to Elizabeth Hertzler, born in 1839 at Fairfield, Ohio, died in 1876. In 1886 Isaac Lantz moved to Lyon County, Kansas and in 1889 he moved to Decator County, Kansas. On Jan. 5, 1893 he remarried to Rachel Petersheim, and died in 1913 at West Liberty, Ohio. (60) David Lantz (38), born in 1829, died in 1911 at Topeka, Indiana, married to Sarah Hertzler, daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Hooley) Hertzler. Jonathan

Hertzler and family moved from Mifflin County in 1848 to Champaign County, Ohio, removed in 1863 to St. Joseph County, Michigan. (61) Nancy Lantz (38), born in 1831, married to a Yoder and had five children –namely, Mattie, Ella, Fannie, Solomon, and Samuel. (62) Levi Lantz (38), born in 1837, married first to Sarah Yoder, second to Elizabeth Smucker, daughter of Gideon Smucker of West Liberty, Ohio, third to Lydia King.

Another daughter of Christian Lantz of family No. 2 is (63) Catherine Lantz (2), born Feb. 15, 1803 in Mifflin County, died Jan. 1, 1863 in Carlock, Illinois. She married to Joseph Yoder, born Sept. 13, 1797, son of David and Jacobin (Eash) Yoder. They lived in Mifflin County where he taught English and German schools till about the year 1838 when they moved to Juniata County. In about 1846 they migrated to McLean County, Illinois where they went to farming. He died there in February of 1888. They had eight children–namely, (64) Anna Yoder (63), married to Abia Clark, Normal, Illinois; (65) Susanna Yoder (63), born in 1828 in Mifflin County, married to David Sharp, Harrisonville, Missouri; (66) Miriam Yoder (63), born in 1829 in Mifflin County, died in 1898 at Carlock, Illinois, married to Jonas Kauffman, second to Adam Zook, son of Jost and Susanna (Hostetler) Zook, they also moved from Mifflin County to Carlock, Illinois (Yost Zook the son of Jacob and Catherine Fisher Zook); (67) Sarah Yoder (63), born in Mifflin County, married to Abe Yoder, also moved to Carlock, Illinois, they had five children; (68) Catherine Yoder (63), born in Mifflin County in 1836, died at Carlock, McLean County, Illinois in 1902, married to Jacob Troyer and had seven children; (69) Iddo Yoder (63), born in 1838 in Mifflin County, died in 1900 in Alliance, Nebraska, married to Anna Gerber and had five children; (70) Emma Yoder (63), born in 1841, married to Samuel Lantz, son of John and Sarah (Hostetler) Lantz of Oak Grove, Illinois, later lived at Carlock.

Another daughter of Christian Lantz was (71) Magdalena Lantz (2), born in 1803 in Mifflin County, married to Henry Stutzman, son of Christian Stutzman of Mifflin. The name for Henry Stutzman's wife some places appears as Hannah Lantz, if the names are mixed up, is not known, or he may have been married the second time. They lived at one time in Fairfield County, Ohio and also in McLean County, Illinois. They had eight children–namely, Joel, Samuel, Solomon, Moses, Isaac, David, Jonathan, and Lydia.

Another son of Christian Lantz was (72) Solomon Lantz (2), born in 1806 in Mifflin County, died in 1870 in Ligonier, Indiana, married first to Anna Stutzman. To them were born three children. He married second to Hannah Riehl, daughter of Jacob Riehl and sister to Mattie Riehl who was married to Shem Esh of Union County, Pennsylvania. To this union were born eight children–namely, (73) Isaac Lantz (72), born in Mifflin County, died in 1875 at Ligonier, Indiana, married to Saloma Plank, they had nine children; (74) Joseph Lantz (72), born in Mifflin County in 1828, married to Rebecca Hertzler, they lived in Logan County and Ligonier, Indiana; (75) Adam Lantz (72), born in Mifflin County, married to Anna Morrel, their seven children all born in Noble County, Indiana; (76) David Lantz (72), the oldest child of Solomon Lantz's second marriage to Hannah Riehl, was born in Mifflin County in 1836, died at Topeka, Indiana in 1890, married to Nancy Wenger, they had six children born in Indiana; (77) Sarah Lantz (72), born in 1837 in Mifflin County, died in 1893 at Ligonier, Indiana, married to Sever P. Byler, they had four children; (78) Lydia Lantz (72), born in 1840 in Fairfield, Ohio, she married first to Jonathan Zook and had one child, Mary Zook, she married second to Christian Kauffman; (79) Noah Lantz (72), born in 1842 in Fairfield County, Ohio, died at Ligonier, Indiana in 1867, married to Lydia Yoder; (89) Ezra Lantz (72), born in 1846 in Fairfield County, Ohio, died in Topeka, Indiana in 1904; (81) Hannah Salome Lantz (72), born in 1849 in Fairfield County, Ohio, died in Topeka, Indiana in 1917. Solomon Lantz of family No. 72 was one of the early Amish settlers of Fairfield County, Ohio. As you notice the oldest children were born in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania and the younger ones in Fairfield County, Ohio.

The second son of John or Hans and Anna Lantz of Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County, was (82) John Lantz (1), birth date unknown, married to Veronica, or Franey, Beiler, daughter of Christian Beiler, who died in Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County. Not much is known of this family, but we do know that Franey Beiler, wife of John Lantz, died rather young and had at least four children–namely, Elizabeth, Jonathan, Joseph, who lived in Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, and Christian Lantz. Some of the family were living in Cumberland County when Christian Beiler, the father of franey Beiler, had died.

(83) Christian Lantz (82), had four children–namely, Polly Lantz; (84) Jacob Lantz (83), died in Somerset County where he had several children; (85) Abraham Lantz (83), married to Catherine Nair, they moved from Somerset County, Pennsylvania to Shanesville with eleven children; (86) Christian Lantz (83), married to Hannah Lookabaugh, lived in Somerset County and Northern Maryland.

Another son of John or Hans and Anna Lantz of Caernarvon Township was (87) Jacob Lantz (1), date of birth unknown. He was married to Magdalena Kurtz, daughter of the immigrant Stephen Kurtz who came to this country in 1744. In 1778 the old farm in Caernarvon Township was assigned to Jacob Lantz and was so till 1797 when he sold to Andrew Weiler. This was probably the time when they with their family moved to Mifflin County, here he lived till he died in 1816, leaving a widow and ten children, although the oldest son, Henry Lantz, had preceded his father in death. Their children were (88) Henry Lantz (87), born Feb. 21, 1778 in Lancaster County, died in February of 1805 in Mifflin County, married to Sarah Hertzler, daughter of John and Anna (Reickenbach) Hertzler, born in 1781, died in September of 1804. So you see they died at the age of twenty-seven and twenty-three years, and left two children—namely, Lydia Lantz married to Benjamin Fisher and Henry Lantz married to Widow Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) (King). It is not known to the writer who adopted these two orphan children or how they both got to Lancaster County for all the relatives lived in Mifflin County except their uncle Christian Hertzler's oldest child, Hannah Hertzler, who had married to Christian Beiler, son of Hannes and Elizabeth (Lapp) Beiler. She married her second husband, John Renno, and lived in Soudersburg, Pennsylvania. They had no children. Probably some of the direct descendants would know.

(89) Lydia Lantz (88), born April 25, 1802, died in 1881, married to Benjamin Fisher, born Feb. 14, 1801, died in 1878 while feeding the old type hand feed threshing machine. He fell on the floor striking his head on a sharp object piercing his skull of which he died instantly. He was a son of Christian and Susanna (Souder) Fisher. There is a very large offspring of this family among the Amish and Mennonite churches of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. There were born to this family eleven children, seven sons and four daughters, of which the seven sons and only one daughter were married. Benjamin Fisher was a very prosperous farmer for his time. He purchased land, which was very likely wood land at that time, and erected a full set of farm buildings for six of his sons, with the average acreage being about eight acres. This land lies along the Ronks Road on the north and south side of Route 30 in East Lampeter Township.

(90) Susannah Fisher (89), born in 1825, married to Gideon Kauffman, their children, Rebecca died at one year of age; Eli died at age two; Sarah died at age two; Jonas, born in 1854, died in 1879 at the age of 24, was on a wheel chair the last years of his life; Benjamin, born in 1856, died in 1875 at the age of 18, was also on a wheel chair the last years of his life; Menno married to Ida Blank, Mennonite; Lydia married to Joel Smoker, Jehovah's Witnesses; Samuel Kauffman, a deaf mute, married to Lydia Sierer, lived in Soudersburg, Pennsylvania.

(91) Christian L. Fisher (89), born Aug. 12, 1829, died Oct. 23, 1855 at twenty-six years of age, and is buried in the Pine Grove Cemetery, a few miles east of Morgantown. He married to Mary Mast, a daughter of Stephen and Hannah (Miller) Mast. They lived in the vicinity of Morgantown. Mary (Mast) married her second husband, Minister John F. Stoltzfus, who was born in 1832, and was killed while walking along the Pennsylvania Railroad on April 1, 1886. They were the parents of the late Bishop John A. Stoltzfus of the Weavertown Amish Mennonite Church. Also the parents of Minister Stephen F. Stoltzfus who migrated to St. Mary's County, Maryland in 1940 with most of his family. To Christian and Mary (Mast) Fisher of Family No. (91) were born two children, Elias Fisher, and Christian Fisher who was born March 16, 1856, about five months after his father died, and died Sept. 13, 1858 at the age of two years. (92) Elias Fisher (91), born in 1854, died in 1920, married to Malinda King. They had eight children, will mention a few, (93) Aaron M. Fisher (92), who was married to Mary Kauffman, and was a long time deacon of the Upper Pequea District, the parents of John A. and Aaron K. Fisher of Strasburg and Amos K. Fisher of Indiana. (94) Sarah Fisher (92), married to Bishop Aaron H. Glick, were the parents of the present Bishop John F. Glick, the Budget scribe. (95) Ariana Fisher (92) was married to Deacon Benjamin Stoltzfus, late deacon of the Conestoga Valley. (96) Stephen K. Fisher (92), married to Sally Zook, he being an aged minister living at present in the Honey Brook District. They are the parents of Katie, wife of Abner F. Beiler of "The Diary" staff.

(97) Jonathan Fisher (89), born in 1831, died in 1878, married to Leah Petersheim. They resided on the farm where his father Benjamin erected a full set of buildings on the south east side of Route 30 and Ronks Road. They had four children, (98) John P. Fisher (97), married to Mattie Beiler. They got the home farm and in turn sold it to their only child, Benjamin B. Fisher who was married to Mary Z. Stoltzfus, and were the parents of Sara E. Fisher, typist of "The Diary." The farm is now owned by David S. Fisher. (99) Elizabeth Fisher (97), married to Jonas Zook, son of Bishop Eli and Rebecca (Lapp) Zook, who in turn was a son of Bishop (Long) Christian Zook of Belleville. To mention a few of their children are Jonathan Zook of Lancaster R4, and Lydia Zook married first to David Garver of Adams County, Indiana, second to Deacon Christian Neuenschwander of the same place. (100) Leah Fisher (97), married to Christian U. Stoltzfus; (101) Lydia Fisher (97), married to Benuel Stoltzfoos.

(102) Henry Fisher (89), born in 1834, died in 1912, married to Fannie Stoltzfus. They lived on the farm where his father had erected farm buildings, now owned by Phares Fisher. There is a large offspring of this family in Lancaster County.

(103) Samuel L. Fisher (89), born in 1836, married to Elizabeth Stoltzfus. They lived on the farm where his father erected farm buildings where Samuel B. King now lives. His grandson, Samuel U. Fisher, is a minister in the Honey Brook District.

(104) Benjamin L. Fisher (89), born in 1838, married to Elizabeth Lapp. He was an ordained minister. They lived on the farm where Minister Joseph S. Fisher now lives, formerly owned by Samuel M. Fisher.

(105) Joel Fisher (89), born in 1842, married to Elizabeth Stoltzfus. They lived on the farm now occupied by Jacob S. Fisher before they moved to Kansas in the beginning of the 1880's, where they lived for two years and again moved back to Lancaster County. Sylvan F. Stoltzfus, a grandson, is a bishop in the Upper Pequea.

(106) John S. Fisher (89), married to Elizabeth Kauffman, resided on the farm north of Route 30, east of Ronks Road, where his great-grandson, Samuel S. Fisher, now lives. There are several of those descendants serving in the ministry at present.

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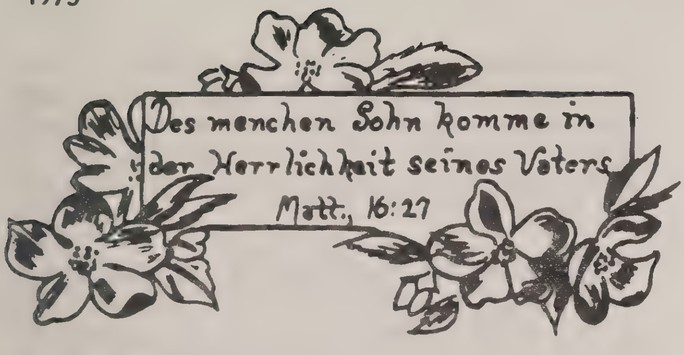

Bishop Jacob Hertzler

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other places and in other denominations. We know that the Lutheran Church sent a minister over from Halle, Germany to help the new church here. And if we read the "Vorrede" of the "Unpartheyisches Lieder Buch," which was a Mennonite book, we suppose this unwelcome spirit was there too. We know that enough Amish families have crossed the Atlantic and settled in Western Berks and Eastern Lancaster County from 1737 to 1766 to make up three good sized church districts. If the young people had adhered to the faith of their parents as expected in general, there could have been fifteen districts by the end of the century. Perhaps it was the lot of this early church to remain humble and spread out to bear seed to grow roots in other sections and west of the Alleghenies.

It would be interesting to know who the fellow ministers of Jacob Hertzler were. To our surprise his name does not appear once in the alms book. Perhaps it was the duty of the deacon to keep record of alms, however, quite a few ministers have assisted and signed to it. It is clear that Christian Yoder started the book or bought it for Hans Kurtz in 1768. Most likely Hans Kurtz was ordained deacon then or shortly before. Hans Kurtz seems to have full charge of it until his death in 1796, although a period of negligence may seem to occur from 1787 to 1793 which may be due to declining age. From the alms book we will list the names of those we feel most sure were ordained men. In 1768 we have Preacher Christian Yoder and Hans Kurtz, deacon. A 1772 page lists Jacob Kauffman, Henry Stehly and Christ Zug, the latter perhaps a deacon. While the alms book was entrusted to Joseph Hostetler we assume he was ordained, perhaps around 1770. But even though we feel these are all ordained men in our fatherland, we cannot regard them all as fellow laborers in one district. It seems most proper to place Jacob Hertzler, Jacob Kauffman, Henry Stehly and Christian Zug in one district, and Christian Yoder, Joseph Hostetler and Hans Kurtz in another. More information and more study will be needed to draw a conclusion.

The Jacob Hertzler Family

Jacob Hertzler was born in Switzerland, and came to America with his second wife, Catherine Ruegy, at the age of forty six. He labored in America thirty seven years. After coming to Philadelphia September 9, 1749 he at once applied for land and already by January 19, 1750 he received a warrant for 190 acres in Bern Township, Lancaster County, now Berks County, two miles west of Hamburg. Today the old Route 22 goes through this tract, about one half of the tract is on the south side of the road. This tract is registered in the Department of Community Affairs office in Harrisburg in Book C - 97, page 117. In 1752 he received a grant for an additional twenty seven acres adjoining to his former tract on the southeast. In 1766 he applied for more land and by December 2 of that year he received a warrant for a tract west of the first one. In 1767 the Hertzler tracts were redrawn and resurveyed. This tract contained one hundred eighty two acres. This does not mean that these were all additional acres since the two tracts intercede and overlap to more fixed boundries but it did give him considerably more land, including the now Hassler Run which he did not have before. This is the most interesting purchase because it was in this deal that the Penns granted Jacob Hertzler and his church twenty acres of land for a school house, a meeting house and a graveyard. Also the Hertzler homestead buildings were erected on this tract. It is most likely that the first residence of Jacob Hertzler was located east of Hassler Run before he purchased this tract. Another tract was purchased from the Christian Yoder estate in 1773. On these tracts Jacob labored with his family until his death. In all probability his son Jacob took over the home farm. In 1809 a part of this farm was transferred to David and John Hertzler who were sons of Jacob Jr., after the death of their father.

Jacob Hertzler reared four known children that lived in America. They were all born in Europe. For information on dates of births and deaths see Hertzler Book.

1. John first married to Veronica Yoder, daughter of Widow Barbara; second to Veronica Rickenbach, daughter of Adam Rickenbach. We will list their children as they appear on a Berks County deed release, Book 22, page 503. 10. Christian Hertzler and Sara his wife; 11. Jacob Rickenbach and Barbara Hertzler his wife; 12. John Rickenbach and Elizabeth Hertzler his wife; 13. John Hertzler and Anna his wife; 14. David Hertzler and Marie his wife; 14. Jacob Hertzler and Anna his wife; 15. Stephen Kurtz and Fronica Hertzler his wife; 16. Christian Zug and Catherine Hertzler his wife. For more information on No. 10 see Hertzler Book, No. 6974.

No. 11. Jacob Rickenbach lived in Caernarvon Township, Berks County until 1811. Then he bought a large tract in now Bern Township, Berks County. Here he built a house and barn near the Schuylkill and the outlet of Maiden Creek. Jacob was exceptionally industrious, besides farming he operated a cement plant on the northeast corner of his property. Here the Reading Railroad erected a station which they called Rickenbach Station. On these premises is a burial plot where Jacob and Barbara and two maiden girls are buried. On a recent visit with an elderly lady descendant, she informed us that this graveyard formerly had a fence around it and there were many more grave markers there. Today there are only four marked graves, which are thrust against railroad ground, unprotected and at the verge of the plow.

No. 12. See Hertzler Book. 13. Was the John Hertzler who lived in Caernarvon Township, Berks County near the old John Rickenbach homestead. 14. See Hertzler Book. 15. Stephen Kurtz lived on the north side of old Route 22, a full mile east of Myerstown. We assume Stephen and Fronica are both buried on the homestead burial plot there. 15. Catherine was the youngest and only known child of the second marriage. She was married to (long) Christian Zug, a bishop in Mifflin County.

The John and Veronica Hertzler land purchase first appears in a Berks County deed book, A 2, pages 279 and 281. It shows that John Hertzler of Cocalico Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania and Samuel Konig of Oley Township, Berks County, jointly bought a tract of one hundred twenty eight acres in Cumru Township, Berks County in 1761. From this indenture it is clear that John Hertzler lived in Cocalico Township before 1761, although we have no other record of it. John Hertzler and Samuel Konig were brothers-in-law, both being married to daughters of Widow Barbara Yoder. In 1773 (Deed Book 9, page 1) John Hertzler bought another tract of ninety acres jointly with Michael Miller in Tulpehocken Township on the east side of the Tulpehocken Creek, probably in the Womelsdorf area. The 1801 deed release was the last property and probably John Hertzler last lived, and died, there. This was a tract of twenty four acres in Heidelberg Township. Since this original deed release is still in possession of the present owner of the original Stephen Kurtz farm, we assume this was a parcel taken off of the Stephen Kurtz tract or adjacent to it. John Hertzler is buried in the Hans Kurtz graveyard which is nearby.

2. Jacob Hertzler Jr. married to Barbara, daughter of Christian and Barbara (Beiler) Yoder. They lived and died on the 1766 portion of the Hertzler homestead on the west side of Hassler Run and on the tract where the present Hertzler homestead stands. After the death of Jacob, in 1795, the farm was transferred to his sons, David and John. They probably lived there until the death of their mother in 1821. After that they moved to Mattawana, Pennsylvania.

3. Fannie Hertzler was married to John Kauffman, who lived on portion A of a former Christian Yoder tract, until 1816 when they moved to now Somerset County, Pennsylvania, and later on further west. More details will follow by Amos L. Fisher.

4. Christian Hertzler moved from Berks County to Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County in 1794, where he lived until 1814. He also moved to Mifflin County then. He was the first deacon in the Conestoga Church, which we suspected since his name appears in the alms book in 1797 with Michael Lapp and Hans Blank. Michael Lapp was likely a deacon in the "Readinger Gemein" as quoted by David Beiler, and Hans Blank was a full deacon on the Lower Pequea side. The Christian Hertzler deacon office has later been affirmed by a Conestoga Church document bound by Rev. Christ J. Kurtz. For the Christian Hertzler home placement in the Conestoga see the Beiler draft on page 166 of the 1974 volume of The Diary.

The Hertzler Cemetery

This is the most well-known Amish graveyard in Berks County, Pennsylvania. As we visit the graveyard our attention will be caught on the Jacob Hertzler memorial and the sturdy wall with a permanent gate to enter, and we will admire the tidy and well-kept condition it is in. But we are rather stunned to find so few Amish markers. There seems to be a vacancy in the yard, enough to contain at least thirty markers. We know it was an old Swiss tradition to use wooden or most frail markers, although it appears that our early fathers in America used field stones, some with carved initials, others were scribed fairly well and in most cases children were not marked at all. But even these field stones are not visible at all. Had the graveyard been kept by following generations these markers would be above the surface and perhaps new ones placed later. Since those of the Amish faith all moved away those that stayed in the community were buried in church house graveyards, and this burial ground was neglected for a period of almost a century. Some years ago I visited with C. Z. Mast of Morgantown, on this visit he told me that his father said there are many Amish buried there. He said that before the wall was rebuilt surface water would wash soil into the yard from the north and the yard filled up, perhaps a few feet, enough to cover up the old markers. Since this was a church burial ground we believe it is true that many Amish markers are covered up.

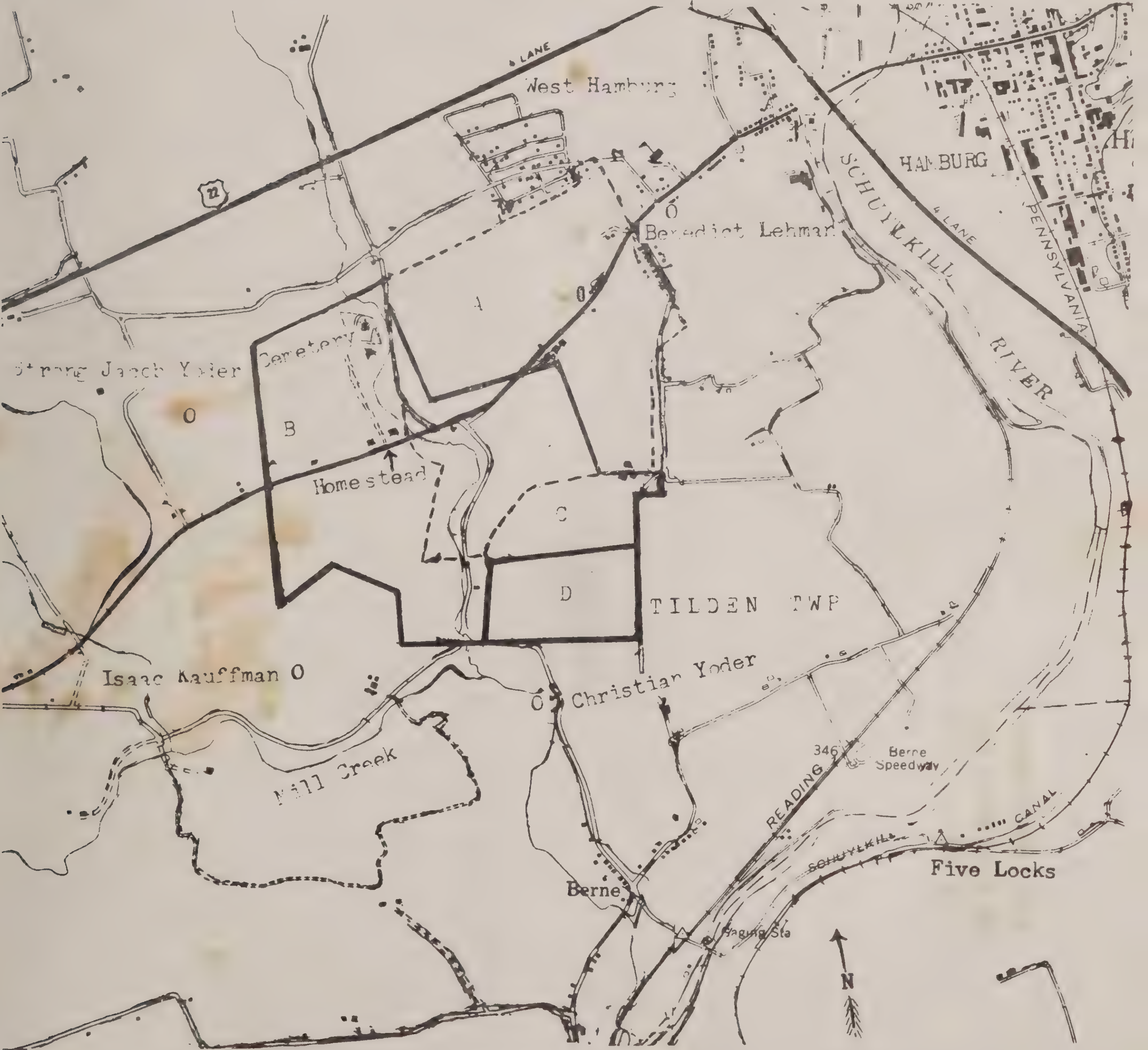
Now as we study the land grants we must conclude that Jacob Hertzler was very clever in selecting a home in America. His plantation, which was called "Contentment," was right in the center of already settled fellow men, friends and maybe relatives. We know that the Hertzlers were close friends to the Widow Barbara Yoder family, and this was likely so already in Europe. The second generation intermarried at least once and the third generation intermarriages were exceptionally numerous. To the east of this plantation was Benedict Lehman; to the south, southwest and west were Barbara Yoder and three of her children joining the Hertzler farm—namely, Christian Yoder, Isaac Kauffman who was married to a daughter of Barbara, and Jacob Yoder.

Now since no other marked Amish graves are visible we will not know for sure who is buried there. But in all probability Widow Barbara Yoder, her son Christian, his wife and maybe some infants, Isaac Kauffman, and his wife including infants. Jacob Yoder moved to the Conestoga, and Benedict Lehman moved to Somerset County, Pennsylvania, quite early. It is possible that infants are buried there from these families including Benedict Lehman Senior and other members of the family.

Of the Bishop Jacob Hertzler family only the senior family heads and Jacob Jr., his wife, and infants are buried there, excepting infant children of Christian who lived there from 1768 to 1794. It is likely that many other Amish graves are in this cemetery, especially children. We listed only a few we feel most certain of.

According to the Silas Hertzler history, a deed to this cemetery was held by Abraham Kline of Upper Bern, we are not sure of the date. Today it is in possession of Edison Metropolitan Electric Company. Of late years this concern made plans to build a large dam south of the Hertzler homestead that would fill the cemetery with water from twenty to sixty feet deep. A small group of us have met with officials of this electric company. We have an understanding with tham that the cemetery will not be destroyed, although if their plans should materialize it will be moved to higher ground. Today we have faith that the resting place for the bodies of those who have labored so faithfully before us will not be disturbed.

Joseph F. Beiler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THE HERTZLER TRACTS DRAFT

Dotted line Tract A is the original one, warranted to Jacob Hertzler in 1750; solid line Tract A shows how his 190 acres looked after it was surveyed in 1765. This excluded Hassler Run and it is possible that he built a home near Hassler Run on the east side on property that he did not get so he immediately applied for more land. Tract B was warranted to him in 1766 and surveyed in 1767; Tract C was warranted to him in 1752; Tract D was a parcel off of the Christian Yoder estate, warranted to Jacob Hertzler in 1773. On Tract B is where the old homestead and the graveyard are.

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

The Hertzler–Hartzler Family

Continued from last month

Bishop Jacob Hertzler

All of our accounts agree that Jacob Hertzler was the first Amish minister in America. Tradition tells us three different stories of where, when and by whom he was ordained: 1. The mother church in the Pfalz ordained a bishop to be sent to aid the young church in America. 2. The young American colony sent to Europe for help to shepherd a church in dire need. 3. The Northkill Church sent delegates over to the mother church to witness the need of a bishop here, and call onto someone in this capicity to come to America. Most certainly one of these or maybe two of these are true. We may never need to know the actual procedure taken, but we do, however, have more evidence that No. 3 falls the nearest in line. A brief study of the 1749 shiplists will tell us that one of the largest groups of Amish immigrants on one ship ever to come to America followed Jacob Hertzler, although not on his ship but the one closely following his to arrive only six days later.

On this September 15 ship were Benedict Lehman and Christian Muller who have both been in America before. It is not out of the way to consider the probability of these two man and maybe more to have been sent to Germany as delegates from the Northkill Church to witness the need and to accost the mother church about the need of a leader for the young colony. How a man for this high office was chosen we do not know, but there is clear evidence that a large group followed the bishop to America. From this list we can count at least twenty known Amish families that all settled in our fatherland area. Among these was Abraham Traxel who was also an Amish bishop in Lebanon Valley.

All indications are that Jacob Hertzler was ordained a bishop in Europe. To this calling he lived faithfully until his death in 1786. His labors were not limited to the Northkill, as the Conestoga and Chester Valley Districts emerged he rendered his service there. As these districts grew they each had their own ministers. Jacob Mast was the first bishop in the Conestoga. According to the John B. Lapp "Diener Buch," Jacob Mast was ordained in 1788, or two years after the death of Jacob Hertzler. It is known that Michael Lapp was bishop in the Chester Valley, but we have no date for when he was ordained. It is not known who succeeded Jacob Hertzler in the Northkill as bishop, but we do not believe he left the fold without a shepherd. The best source of information is perhaps in the alms book. From there it is evident that Hans Beiler was bishop in the Tulpehocken and what was left of the Northkill in 1797, although he was only thirty six years of age. He moved to Lancaster County shortly after that time. It is hardly acceptable to say that he was the bishop to succeed Jacob Hertzler in 1786 because of his age, furthermore, he did not live in the Northkill District. Our information to the Northkill is very limited after 1786 and it would be hard to even guess who the ministers were after that. The Northkill does not make a single entry to the alms book after 1786 and by all appearance it was moving out fast after that. We do however have one more clue who Jacob Hertzler's follower was. We have a few scattered outside church records concerning the Northkill group of around the turn of the century. Among them are marriage records performed by John Yoder after 1800. He was now a Dunkert bishop, but may have been ordained in the Northkill congregation. Surely there were church leaders there for a while after Jacob Hertzler's death, because the alms book was there until 1799, then it moved to the Conemaugh.

In all probability we know that Jacob Hertzler was a strong and faithful leader. His task of "herding the flock," or to keep the new colony in America content and together was not an easy one. It is clear that he administered to at least three districts at one time and maybe more. Besides working hard on the farm to support his family, his labors were extended to help others as well. Notes of tradition say that he walked from his home near Hamburg to the Chester Valley, a distance of sixty miles, in two days, at the age of eighty. Perhaps these were not the hardest of his trials. The early church in America endured an era when a spirit of slothfulness existed among the young generation. To a person who is not acquainted with early church history in America it is hard to believe and it is yet harder to explain but it was there and it cannot be erased. The young people were lax in joining the church for a reason we could not clearly and will not need explain. This "air of freedom" among the young people prevailed in the latter half of the nineteenth century and in some sections it extended into four decades of the next century. It was not just in the Northkill it existed at

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13-YEAR-OLD BOY KILLED AS WALL COLLAPSED

John F., son of John B. and Susan E. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, Pa., died instantly Friday afternoon, Aug. 15, when a cement wall crushed him on his father's farm. They were building a loading platform to load produce directly from the field to trucks. A cement truck had poured concrete on another section of the wall, and members of the family were grading the wet cement. John was filling in stone behind the wall when it collapsed. Cause of death was a crushed skull. (See obituary)

IND. TOT FATALLY HURT IN FALL FROM BUGGY

John N., age 2, son of John and Rosie (Wickey) Wengerd, was fatally injured on July 27th, when he fell from a buggy in which he was riding with his parents, coming home from church. The right rear wheel ran over his abdoman. He was dead on arrival at the Adams County Memorial Hospital. (See obituary)

5-YEAR-OLD KNOCKED DOWN BY DOG

Raymond, age 5, son of John R. Yutzy's had a freak accident in the evening of Aug. 1st while playing in the yard with the other children. He was knocked down by a German Shepherd dog, which was chasing a cat, causing a brain concussion. A day later he turned semi-conscious, stayed that way for three days, then started getting better. Sunday, the 10th, he got worse and was taken to the children's hospital (James Whitcomb Riley) yet that evening. The next day they ran tests and xrays and found a blood clot on his brain. They operated in the evening of Aug. 11th. He was in the intensive care unit 3½ days, came home the 20th, and is getting along real well. The blood clot was one inch thick and three inches long. The doctors also left a piece of bone out from the back of his head which they said will partly grow back again.

4-YEAR-OLD TRAMPLED BY HORSE

Mattie J. M. Schwartz, daughter of Pre. Joseph E. and Martha (Eicher) Schwartz of Geneva, Ind., was killed July 9th when she was stepped on by a horse that panicked while pulling a skid, on which she and her two sisters were riding. She was rushed to the Bluffton Clinic Hospital but was pronounced dead on arrival. (See obituary)

20-YEAR-OLD KILLED IN TRACTOR ACCIDENT

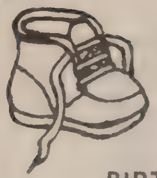
John, son of Jake J. and Susie (Yoder) Byler, of Geauga County, Ohio, was instantly killed, Aug. 9th, while hauling lumber with a tractor. The tractor upset on level ground, pinning him underneath. (See obituary)

OHIO MAN DIED AFTER BEING HIT BY CAR

Crist D. Kurtz, 40, of Geauga County, died after a car hit him in the early morning of Aug. 16th. He was walking on the road when a car hit him and a second car ran over him. His body was badly mangled and one leg severed so that the funeral was held with a closed casket. (See obituary)

TENN. BOY HURT IN LOGGING ACCIDENT

Moses, 12-year-old son of Andy R. Troyer's, was seriously injured, Aug. 6, while helping his older brothers load logs. Two logs were loaded on the wagon and a skid laid under the side of logs to keep them from rolling while pulling up a little further to finish loading. The logs started rolling taking Moses along and he was pinched under a log. He was rushed to Scotch Memorial Hospital, Lawrenceburg, and operated on several days later. He was there seven days then transferred to Vanderbult Hospital, Nashville. He had three broken ribs, three punctures in liver, injured lungs, pancreas, kidneys, intestines, etc. He is gaining nicely but has a long way to go yet for full recovery.



"Lasset die Kindlein zu mir kommen".. Mark 10:14

BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

ALLGYER, Reuben (Sadie Petersheim) Gap R1
a son AMOS K., August 26

BEILER, Daniel R. (Annie Beiler) Kirkwood R1
a daughter MARY, August 9

BEILER, David (Barbara King) Gap R1
a son MERVIN LEE, August 6

BEILER, David K. (Elsie Flaud) Ronks R1
a daughter MARY, August 9

BEILER, David L. (Amanda King) New Holland R3
a son JOHN WAYNE, August 29

BEILER, Elmer B. (Lydia Smucker) New Holland R2
a daughter LINDA ROSE, August 26

BEILER, John K. (Elizabeth Beiler) Ronks R1
a son JOHN, August 20

BEILER, Levi S. (Fannie Stoltzfus) Christiana R1
a daughter SARAH S., August 14

ESCH, John R. (Lydia Zook) New Providence R1
a daughter NANCY B., August 6

ESH, Benjamin B. (Barbara J. Esh) Christiana R1
a son ELI B., August 11

ESH, Jacob (Lizzie King) New Providence R1
a son HENRY K., August 30

ESH, Henry P. Jr. (Katie King) Ronks R1
a son JOHN K., August 27

FISHER, Amos M. (Lydia King) Kinzers R1
a son ANDREW, August 16

FISHER, Elmer (Leah Beiler) Ronks R1
a daughter BARBARA B., August 25

FISHER, Henry R. (Mary K. Beiler) Gordonville R1
a daughter ANNA MAE, August 22

FISHER, Isaac K. (Rebecca S. Beiler) Peach Bottom
R2, a son AMOS, August 10

FISHER, John K. (Leah Lantz) Gordonville R1
a son EMANUEL, August 10

GLICK, Bemjamin L. (Anna Esh) Gap R1
a son LLOYD RAY, August 24

GLICK, Eli S. (Annie K. Esh) Leola R1
a son JOHN E., August 13

GLICK, Emanuel S. (Sadie E. King) 46 Geist Rd.
Lancaster, a son AMOS K., August 28

GLICK, Jonas (Annie Kauffman) Christiana R1
a daughter SUSIE K., August 13

KAUFFMAN, Elam E. (Mary Stoltzfus) Ronks R1
a son BENJAMIN M., August 29

KING, Bennie (Rachel Stoltzfus) Kirkwood R1
a daughter SARAH L. , August 30

KING, Daniel K. Jr. (Elizabeth Fisher) Bird-in-Hand
R1, a son STEPHEN S., August 31

KING, David G. (Lena Mae Beiler) Gordonville R1
a son LEVI B., August 4

KING, John Z. (Rachel Stoltzfus) Strasburg R1
a daughter KATIE S., August 29

KING, Levi (Fannie Stoltzfus) Paradise R1
a son CHRISTIAN, August 19

KING, Samuel (Linda Glick) Gap R1
a son DAVID MICHAEL, August 12

KING, Samuel B. (Annie L. Zook) Willow Street R1
a daughter SUSIE Z., August 28

LANTZ, Aaron B. (Lizzie S. Stoltzfus) Gordonville
R1, a son AARON JR., August 12

LAPP, Amos S. (Katie S. Lapp) Strasburg R1
a son LEON S., August 13

LAPP, Benjamin (Verna Stoltzfus) Gap R1
a daughter REBECCA FAYE, August 26

LAPP, John D. (Malinda S. Lapp) Ronks R1
a daughter BARBARA L., August 14

LAPP, Reuben (Anna Beiler) Ronks R1
a son AMOS J., August 11

MILLER, Joseph (Annie Lapp) Paradise R1
a daughter KATIE L., August 18

PETERSHEIM, Elam R. (Annie King) Gordonville R1
a daughter SYLVIA K., August 20

STOLTZFOOS, Amos F. (Anna R. Stoltzfus) Kinzers
R1, a son JACOB, August 8

STOLTZFUS, Aaron (Emma Fisher) Bird-in-Hand R1
a daughter LINDA MAE, August 28

STOLTZFUS, Abram F. (Katie Fisher) Leola R1
a son DANIEL F., August 5

STOLTZFUS, Amos M. (Katie Smucker) New Holland
R2, a daughter SADIE, August 13

STOLTZFUS, Christ F. (Mary Fisher) Kirkwood R1
a son DAVID F., August 29

STOLTZFUS, Christ S. (Priscilla Lapp) Christiana R1
a son AMOS L., August 9

STOLTZFUS, Daniel (Mary Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1
a son B. JOHN, August 23

STOLTZFUS, Elam B. (Marian Stoltzfus) Ronks R1
a daughter ROSEMARY, August 16

STOLTZFUS, Samuel A. (Rachel King) Gordonville R1
a daughter KATIE MAE, August 17

STOLTZFUS, Samuel B. (Priscilla Beiler) Gap R1
a daughter DOROTHY B., August 5

STOLTZFUS, Samuel J. (Barbara Smoker) Narvon R2
a son GIDEON M. August 6

STOLTZFUS, Sylvan (Rebecca King) Ronks R1
a daughter SARAH, August 17

ZOOK, Aaron S. (Mattie Miller) Strasburg R1
a daughter EVA, August 11

ZOOK, Daniel S. (Malinda S. Beiler) Gordonville R1
a daughter SALOMA ANN, August 3

ZOOK, Gideon D. (Mary Ann Fisher) Gap R1
a son DAVID RAY, August 11

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MILLER, Ammon H. (Mary Troyer) Dover R2
a daughter ESTHER, August 8
MILLER, Eli H.. (Mattie Yoder) Dover R2
a daughter MARY KATHRYN, August 18
MILLER, Wm. M. (Alta Byler) Hartly R1
a son MAHLON, August 25
TROYER, Roman A. (Matilda Miller) Dover R2
a son ALFRED, August 13
YODER, Andy L.. (Ada Coblentz) Hartly R1
a son LEROY, August 30

St. Mary's County, Maryland

STOLTZFUS, Joseph (Susie Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville
a son EMANUEL, August 15

Centre County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Amos E. (Sarah Stoltzfus)
a daughter LAVINA, April 25
FISHER, Christ E. (Anna Mary Stoltzfus)
a son REUBEN, March 11
STOLTZFUS, Christ K. (Rachel Smucker) Spring Mills
a daughter MAMIE, July 2
STOLTZFUS, David B. (Emma Stoltzfus) Rebersburg
a daughter ANNIE, July 23
ZOOK, Joseph G. (Lena Swarey) Rebersburg
a son BENJAMIN LEE, August 15

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Elias (Linda Kanagy) Belleville
a daughter CATHERINE, August 28
PEACHEY, Jonas C. (Susie Swarey) Belleville
a daughter, August 31
PEACHEY, Josiah (Leah Swarey) Allensville
a daughter SALLY, August 2
YODER, Rudy (Annie Peachey) Belleville
a daughter KATIE, August 22

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Menno A. (Mary Lapp) Mifflintown R2
a son AMOS, August 21
PETERSHEIM, Harvey (Fannie Peachey) Mifflintown
R2, a son ABNER, August 11
TROYER, Roman E.. (Sara Yoder) Mifflintown R2
a daughter EMMA, August 5
WENGERD, John M.. (Fannie Beiler) Mifflintown R2
a daughter NANCY, August 6

Path Valley, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Enos (Sarah Stoltzfus)
a daughter MARY, August 15

Oakland, Maryland

MILLER, Uriah J.. (Celesta Schlabach) Oakland
a daughter VIRGINIA, August 5

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

COBLENTZ, Allen E.. (Sarah Miller)
a son RAYMOND, August 15
COBLENTZ, Eli D.. (Katie Detweiler)
a son LEROY, August 13

Conewango Valley, New York

BYLER, Menno J.. and Amanda
a son JOE, August 8
HOSTETLER, Ervin E.. and (Tena Miller)
a son August 5 It died a few hours later.
HOSTETLER, Noah J.. (Mattie Miller)
a daughter REBECCA, August 26
MILLER, Abe A.. and Anna J.
a son NEIL, August 19
MILLER, Eli D.. and Emma A.
a son ANDY, August 6
MILLER, Isaac D. and Mary Y..
a son YOST, August 6
SHETLER, Noah J.. (Ada Byler)
a daughter, August 31

Geauga County, Ohio

BURKHOLDER, Lester (Lovina Miller)
a son WOLLY, August 18
BYLER, Dan R.. (Katie Mast)
a daughter
BYLER, Ervin R.. (Martha J.. Miller)
a son
BYLER, Harvey W. (Marie L. Miller)
a daughter MIRIAM, August 9
BYLER, Mervin R.. (Betty Weaver)
a daughter BETTY, August 16
DETWEILER, Lester (Fannie J.. Miller)
a son, August 8
MAST, Ray (Emma Byler)
a daughter , August 29
MAST, Robert (Sara Weaver)
a son, August 6
MILLER, Joe U.. (Alma Byler)
a daughter, August 7
MILLER, Jonas V. (Mary Ann Byler)
a son JONAS, JR., August 8
MILLER, Mart A.. (Martha Yoder)
a daughter ARLENE
MULLET, Owen (Florence Byler)
a son PAUL, August 3
SLAUBACH, John (Ida Kauffman)
a son, August 26
TROYER, Chester A. (Esther Hostetler)
a daughter ELLEN MARIE, August 18
TROYER, Lester A. (Laura Miller)
a son STEVEN VALENTINE
WEAVER, Samuel (Elizabeth Weaver)
a son, August 23
YODER, Allen (Miriam Miller)
a son, August 23
YODER, Dan (Lizzie Byler)
a son, August 6
YODER, David (Marie Hershberger)
a daughter NANCY MARIE

Wayne County, Ohio

HOCHSTETLER, Daniel J. (Susie Hershberger).
Orrville R3, a son MARK, August 12
KAUFFMAN, Ben (Emma Weaver) Fredericksburg R2
a son BEN JR., July 22
KEIM, Leroy (Linda Miller) Apple Creek R2
a daughter LAURA, August 8
KEIM, Ray J. (Mary Yoder) Wilmot R1
a son MERLIN, August 13
MILLER, Andy E. (Alta Schlabach) Fredericksburg
R2, a daughter ARLENE, August 15
MILLER, Eli A. (Susie Miller) Dundee R1
a daughter SARAH, in August

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Wayne County, Ohio, Continued

MILLER, Emanuel (Katie E. Hershberger) Dundee R1 a daughter KATIE, July 25

MILLER, Henry (Emma Miller) Big Prairie R1 a daughter SUSIE, July 30

MILLER, Mike (Katie E. Hershberger) Dundee R1 a son JONAS, August 1

MILLER, William H. (Laura Yoder) Fredericksburg a son IVAN, August 1

Holmes County, Ohio

BARKMAN, Eli A. (Ada Stutzman) Fresno R3 a daughter AMANDA, August 15

BYLER, Joe (Susie Yoder) a daughter KATIE, August 1

HERSHBERGER, Dan J. and wife, Millersburg R5 a son, July 24

HERSHBERGER, Ervin A. and wife, Fredericksburg a son, LEON

HERSHBERGER, Henry A. and wife, Dundee R2 a son, August 14

HERSHBERGER, Levi J. and wife, Dundee R2 a son JOSEPH

HOSTETLER, Raymond E. (Susan Miller) Fredericksburg R1, a daughter ADA, August 22

KEIM, Mose L. (Erma Weaver) Millersburg R5 a daughter MARIE, August 7

MAST, Henry C. (Mary Troyer) Millersburg R5 a son HENRY JR., August 14

MILLER, Alvin S. (Malinda Raber) Millersburg R4 a son SAM, August 23

MILLER, Andy D. and wife, Fredericksburg a daughter CAROLINE, August 20

MILLER, Jake J. (Mary Ann Schlabach) Fredericksburg R1, a son ELI, August 18

MILLER, Pete A. and wife, Millersburg R3 a daughter DORA, August 7

MILLER, Wayne M. (Susan Schlabach) Millersburg R2 twin STILLBORN SONS, August 12

RABER, Andy E. (Edna Miller) Millersburg Star Route, a son DALE, July 13

RABER, Henry A. (Edna Miller) Millersburg R3 a son PAUL HENRY, in August

TROYER, Atlee J. E. (Ida A. Miller) Millersburg R5 a son JOSIE, August 11

TROYER, John C. (Sara Ann Mast) Orrville R3 a son ADEN, July 25

TROYER, Levi H. (Anna Troyer) a son, August 7

TROYER, Robert M. (Martha Hershberger) a child

WENGERD, Simon Jr. (Katie Miller) Benton a son LEON

YODER, Abe M. (Susie Miller) Dundee R1 a daughter IDA, August 10

YODER, Andy P. (Saloma Raber) Millersburg R3 a daughter RUTH, August 3

YODER, Ervin S. and wife, Mt. Hope a son MARTIN, August 18

YODER, Henry J. (Dena Stutzman) Millersburg R3 a daughter BARBARA, August 12

YODER, Joe (Katie Hershberger) Fredericksburg R2 a daughter SUSIE, August 10

YODER, Raymond A. (Lydiann Miller) Fredericksburg R2, a son IVAN, August 2

Ashland County, Ohio

BRENNEMAN, Dan (Sadie Yoder) Ashland R1 a son GIDEON, August 21

MILLER, Roman (Mary Miller) a daughter ANNA, August 21

YODER, Elmer (Mary Ann Keim) a daughter ROSIE, August 17

Centreville, Michigan

BONTRAGER, William L.. (Dena Sue Yoder) Centreville R1, a daughter ROSANNA, August 21

MILLER, Alvin R.. (Sarah Mae Hostetler) Centreville R1, a daughter MILDRED, August 9

MILLER, Marvin D.. (Clara Borkholder) Centreville R1 a daughter ROSAETTA, August 12

Allen County, Indiana

EICHER, Marcus (Rosa Graber) a daughter ARLENE, July 17

GRABER, Ben (Marian Miller) a daughter LORETTA, July 2

GRABER, John (Josephine Graber) a daughter ANNA MAE, August 29

LENGACHER, Victor (Malinda Brandenberger) a son DAVID, July 26

Adams County, Indiana

EICHER, Clarence (Salome Wickey) Monroe R1 a son BEN, August 18

GIROD, Mark (Annie Schwartz) Monroe R1 a daughter EMMA, July 20

GRABER, John J.. (Barbara Hilty) Geneva R2 twins, ELMER & EMMA, July 2

GRABER, Reuben (Barbara Ann Hochstetler) Geneva R2, a daughter SYLVIA, August 10

NEUENSCHWANDER, Chris (Anna Schwartz) Berne R1 a daughter LYDIA, July 17

SCHMIDT, Enos (Adeline Wickey) Monroe R1 a son JOE, August 3

SCHWARTZ, Ben (Lovina Hilty) Monroe R1 a son BEN, Jr., June 28

SCHWARTZ, Dan (Lucy Wickey) Monroe R1 a son NICODEMUS, June 30

SCHWARTZ, Enos (Rosie Hilty) Monroe R1 a daughter LOVINA, June 26

SCHWARTZ, Jake (Mattie Wickey) Geneva R1 a son, August 3

SCHWARTZ, Joe (Margaret Eicher) Berne R2 a son LEVI, June 23

SCHWARTZ, John (Lizzie Schwartz) Monroe R1 a son JAKE, June

SCHWARTZ, Nate (Barbara Schwartz) Berne R2 a son, August 12

SCHWARTZ, Peter (Mary Zook) Geneva R2 a son CHRIST, July 6

SCHWARTZ, Raymond (Maggie Hilty) Berne R1 a son MELVIN, August 21

SCHWARTZ, William (Susie Hilty) Geneva R1 a daughter ROSEMARY, August 4

SHETLER, Mel (Marie Hilty) Berne R1
a daughter RHONDA, July 11
TROYER, Roman (Esther Schwartz) Monroe R1
a son MOSE, July 26
WICKEY, Tobias (Margaret Christner) Berne R2
a daughter EMMA, August 19
WICKEY, Jerry (Alma Weaver) Monroe R1
a son ATLEE, August 19
YODER, Mervin (Lizzie Christner) Geneva R1
a daughter REBECCA, June 28

Elkhart County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, David (Anna Miller) Middlebury R1
twins RUDY & RUBY, August 17
COBLENTZ, John (Wilma Bontrager) Middlebury R2
a daughter, August 20
MILLER, Calvin Jay (Alma Miller) 11526 C.R. 24
Middlebury, a daughter VERA MAE, August 18
MILLER, Perry (Esther Miller) Middlebury R1
a daughter DORETTA FAYE, July 29

LaGrange County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Amos W. (Mattie Miller) LaGrange R4
a daughter SUSIE, August 9
BONTRAGER, Perry L. (Mary Anna Yoder) LaGrange
R1, a daughter RUTH ANN, August 7
EASH, Levi (Orpha Marie Bontrager) Wawaka R1
a daughter VERNA, August 10
EASH, Ora Jay (Irene Hochstedler) Wolcottville R1
a daughter SUETTA, August 9
FRY, Harley (Alice Hostetler) Topeka R2
twins WILBUR & WILMA, August 14
HELMUTH, Eli (Mary Ellen Schwartz) LaGrange R1
a daughter SUE ANNA, August 8
HELMUTH, Milo (Amanda Raber) Topeka R1
a son MERLE, August 20
LEHMAN, Daniel Lee (Marlene Miller)
a daughter DORETTA, August 24
LEHMAN, Dennis (Mary Sue Miller) Topeka R2
a daughter FANNIE MAE, August 14
MAST, Ora (Wilma Yoder) Shipshewana R1
a daughter ELSIE, August 12
MILLER, Andrew (Dorothy Bontrager) Shipshewana R2
a daughter EDITH, August 18
MILLER, Chris (Lorene Hochstedler) Shipshewana R2
twins DEAN & EUGENE, August 24
MILLER, Freeman (Linda Sue Wingard) Shipshewana
R2, a daughter JO ANN, August 19
MILLER, Glen Jay (Lydia Mae Bontrager) Middlebury
R3, a daughter ROSEMARY, August 6
MILLER, Harley (Saloma Brandenberger) LaGrange R3
a daughter LINDA, August 5
MILLER, Harvey (Le Anna Beechy) LaGrange R1
a son AARON JAY, August 22
MILLER, Mervin (Ida Fry) LaGrange R4
a son LEVI, August 5
MILLER, Orville (Nettie Irene Miller) Shipshewana
a son EARL EUGENE, August 24
MILLER, Tobias (Esther Hochstedler) Shipshewana R2
a son FLOYD, July 31
SCHROCK, Perry (Wilma Raber) Topeka R1
a daughter VERNA, July 28

YODER, Harley (Anna Mae Chupp) Millersburg R1
a son HARLEY E., JR., July 29
YODER, Wilbur (Orpha Whetstone) Topeka R1
a son LLOYD, July 27

Kokomo, Indiana

HERSCHBERGER, Lester (Susan Miller)
a son LESTER JAMES, August 23

Arthur, Illinois

HERSCHBERGER, Andy Ray (Ruth Ann Miller)
a daughter DENICE, August 11
HERSCHBERGER, Elva (Edna May Diener)
a son JERRY WAYNE, August 10
HERSCHBERGER, Raymond (Dorothy Otto)
a daughter ANITA KAY, August 27
MILLER, Elmer (Katie Marie Yoder)
a son GERALD LYNN, August 13
YODER, Lester (Martha Miller)
a son ELI WILLIAM, August 2

Guthrie, Kentucky

BYLER, Lester (Sarah Schrock) Trenton
a son GALEN, August 24

Ethridge, Tennessee

GINGERICH, Daniel (Lydia Gingerich) Ethridge R1
a son NOAH, August 31
HOSTETLER, Joseph (Anna Gingerich) Ethridge R2
a son EMANUEL, August 30
ZOOK, Eli (Anna Gingerich) Ethridge R2
a son LEVI, August 31
ZOOK, Joseph (Katie Gingerich) Ethridge R1
a son DANIEL, August 31

Audrain County, Missouri

BEACHY, Jacob (Mary Miller) Clark
a son SAMUEL, August 14
BURKHOLDER, Eli S. (Edna Yoder) Clark
a daughter MARY ANN, August 9
GINGERICH, Jacob C (Katie Shetler) Clark
a son ANDREW, August 26
GINGERICH, Jacob N. (Elizabeth Petersheim) Madison, a son BENEDICT, August 29
MAST, William J. (Esther Miller) Clark
a son URA, August 7
MILLER, Henry F. (Lena Borntreger) Madison
a daughter RACHEL, August 10
MILLER, Levi (Sarah Miller) Clark
a son LEVI, JR., Aug. 25
PETERSHEIM, Willie (Lydia Miller) Clark
a son JACOB, Aug. 29
SWARTZ, Jake (Rachel Borntreger) Clark
a daughter ANNA, July 31
WAGLER, Lavern (Esther Gingerich) Clark
a son AMMON, Aug. 29

Webster County, Missouri

SCHWARTZ, Amos N. (Leah Schwartz) Seymour
a daughter ANNIE, August 4

Jamesport, Missouri

KURTZ, John (Emma Detweiler)
a daughter MARY ANN, August 22
TROYER, Vernon (Mary Hershberger)
a daughter ESTHER, August 19

Reno County, Kansas

BONTRAGER, Jonas (Irene Keim) Haven
a son WAYNE LEE, August 14
HELMUTH, Glen (Mary Edna Schrock) Haven
a daughter DOROTHY SUZANNE, July 29

Garnett, Kansas

TROYER, Harvey (Wilma Marie Yoder) Garnett
a daughter NANCY RENEE, July 27
YODER, Leon (Barbara Sue Yoder) Garnett
a daughter DEBRA RENEE, July 7
YODER, Perry (Nancy Miller) Garnett
a daughter LORETTA FERN, July 6

Johnson County, Iowa

MAST, Lloyd (Vesta Yoder)
a daughter EILEEN, July 25
SCHLABACH, Edward (Ida Miller)
a daughter ANNA LAURA, August 3

Buchanan County, Iowa

GINGERICH, Jacob (Christina Kurtz) Independence
a son SIMEON, August 17

Milton, Iowa

HOCHSTETLER, Mr. and Mrs. Levi, Milton R1
a son JACOB

Bloomfield, Iowa

BEACHY, Daniel (Savannah Herschberger)
a daughter ELNORA, August 29
BEACHY, Fred (Verna Miller)
a son ALVIN RAY, August 11
YODER, Henry (Anna Yoder)
a son ALVA, July 30

Wilton, Wisconsin

BORNTREGER, Amos (Fannie Gingerich)
a son MOSE, August 23

Amherst, Wisconsin

BORNTREGER, Dannie (Sylvia Mast)
a daughter ESTHER, August 6

Cashton, Wisconsin

BORNTREGER, Chris (Ada Miller)
a son ANDY, August 10
HERSHBERGER, John and Edna
a daughter ELIZABETH, August 2
KEIM, Albert (Edna Schmucker)
a son JONAS, July 22
MILLER, Melvin (Ada Borntreger)
a daughter LENA, August 3
MULLET, Eli (Verba Mast)
a son ELI, JR., July 29
SCHMUCKER, Chris (Catherine Miller)
a son SIMON, August 24

Blair, Wisconsin

BORNTREGER, Ira (Susie Lambright)
a daughter FANNIE, August 25
LAMBRIGHT, Perry (Sylvia Mast)
a son HOMER, August 6

Canton, Minnesota

HERSHBERGER, Dan M. (Lydia Miller) Preston
a daughter LOVINA, July 20
YODER, Sam R. (Delila Yoder) Whalan
a son RUDY, August 2

Grey County, Ontario, Canada

HERSHBERGER, Enos J. (Anna Yoder) Chesley R4
a son JONI, August 1
STUTZMAN, John J. (Sarah Hershberger) Desboro R1
a daughter CEVILLA, August 27

Milverton, Ontario, Canada

STREICHER, Enoch (Mary Zehr)
a son ALVIN, August 4

Lucknow, Ontario, Canada

MILLER, Albert (Ella Stutzman) Lucknow R2
a daughter SUSIE, August 30

Tavistock, Ontario, Canada

HERTZLER, David (Sylvia Peachey) Tavistock R2
a daughter SADIE, August 8

Norwich, Ontario, Canada

GINGERICH, Noah E. (Lovina Miller) Norwich R1
a daughter BARBARA, August 8
SHETLER, Mose D. (Sarah Miller) Tillsonburg R7
a daughter MATTIE, August 19
STUTZMAN, Jacob L. (Mary Miller) Norwich R1
a son JOHN, August 7

OBITUARIES

BORNTREGER, Susie, age 5, Clark, Missouri
died Thursday morning, Aug. 14th. She was an invalid child all her life. Surviving are the parents, Felty and Katie (Petersheim) Borntreger, three brothers, and the grandparents, Bishop Chris and Martha Borntreger, Amherst, Wisc., and Jacob and Lydia Petersheim.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning, Aug. 16, at the home in a shed by the home church preachers.

BYLER, John, 20, of Geauga County, Ohio
was killed in a tractor accident Aug. 9th (see front page). He is survived by his parents, Jake L. and Susie (Yoder) Byler, seven brothers including a twin, and two sisters. He would have been baptized in a few weeks.

Funeral services were very largely attended with preaching at four places, by Bishop Elmer A. Miller of the home church and Pre. David E. Miller; Bishop John N. Byler and Pre. Roman E. Troyer; Pre. Sam V. Gingerich and Pre. Jerry J. Miller Jr.; Pre. Dan U. Byler and Bishop Sam Erb. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery. Pall bearers were Albert, son of Ervin M. P. Miller; Marvin, son of Crist N. Detweilers; Levi, son of Jake J. Bylers; and Robert, son of Elmer A. Millers.

EBERSOL, Aaron 78, of Milverton, Ontario
died at his home Monday, Aug. 11th. Born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, March 26, 1899, he was a son of the late John R. and Laura (Miller) Ebersol, and moved to Canada with his parents at eleven years of age. He is survived by his wife, Clara (Kuepfer), whom he married Dec. 16, 1930; two daughters, Mrs. Harvey (Malinda) Albrecht, Milverton R1, and Mrs. Elam (Mary) Wagler of Brunner; one son, John of Milverton R2; 16 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and one sister, Sarah of Milverton.

He was preceded in death by one son, Alvin, a sister, Mrs. Dan J. (Esther) Schwartz of Indiana, a brother Daniel, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Aug. 14th from the home of his son John, by Bishop William Carter. Burial was in the Amish Mennonite Cemetery, 7th line of Mornington Township.

ESH, Rebecca L., 5 Mo., Gordonville R1, Pa.
daughter of Moses L. and Lizzie (Lapp) Esh, died Saturday, Aug. 30, at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, following a four-day illness. She was born in Lancaster County. In addition to her parents, she is survived by two sisters, Barbara and Lydia, and a brother Johnnie, all at home; maternal grandparents, John J. and Barbara (Beiler) Lapp, New Holland R1; paternal grandparents, Henry A. and Rebecca L. (Lapp) Esh, Gordonville R1; maternal great-grandparents, John K. and Lizzie (Smucker) Lapp, New Holland R1, and Mrs. Betsy Beiler, Gap R1.

Funeral services were held September 2st, by Bishop Amos G. Esh and Pre. Melvin Beiler; Hymn read by Pre. Amos F. Stoltzfus.

FISHER, Infant Son, Oxford R1, Pa.
Jacob M. and Aarie (Glick) Fisher buried a stillborn son August 13th in King's Cemetery, a new cemetery on John M. King's farm below Quarryville.

GIROD, Twin Infants, Monroe R1, Indiana
were stillborn August 29th at the Adams County Memorial Hospital. Surviving are the parents, Ben and Clara (Byler) Girod; nine brothers and three sisters; six half brothers and two half sisters; and two grandmothers, Mrs. Emma Girod of Berne and Mrs. Clara Hershberger of New Wilmington, Pa.

Graveside services were held at the Schwartz Cemetery.

HOCHSTETLER, David G., 65, Wilton, Wisconsin
died Tuesday, August 12, at the age of 65 yrs. and 11 days. Born Aug. 1, 1910, he was a son of Gideon and Susanna (Hochstetler) Hochstetler, and was married Dec. 22, 1936 to Lovina Borntreger; lived in matrimony 38 yrs., 7 mo., 21 days. To this union were born seven sons and four daughters, Edna of the home; Mrs. Joe M. (Fannie) Borntreger of Wilton, Wis.; Jacob D. of Wilton, Wis.; David Jr. of Anabel, Mo.; Willie D. of Wilton, Wis.; Amos D. of Macon, Mo.; John D. of Medford, Wis.; Edward D. of Anabel, Mo.; David D. of Medford, Wis.; Mrs. Glen (Anna) Yoder of Medford, Wis.; and Susan of the home. He leaves his wife, four daughters, seven sons, 28 grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Dan (Lovina) Hochstetler, of Bremen, Ind. and Mrs. Neal (Susie) Borntreger of Anabel, Mo.; one half sister, Mrs. Dan (Katie) Graber of Shipshewana, Ind.; two half brothers, Jacob E. Hochstetler of Shipshewana, Ind. and John G. Hochstetler of Hamilton, Mont. His father, mother, one grandchild, one sister, one half sister, and two half brothers preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held Friday, August 15, by Bishop Chris Borntreger and Amos M. Bontreger.

KURTZ, Crist D., 40, of Geauga County, Ohio
died August 16th after being hit by a car (see front page). He leaves a wife and nine children.

Funeral services were held at his sister's, the Andy Bylers near West Farmington; preaching by Bishop John N. Detweiler and Bishop Andy C. Byler. Burial was in the Mullet Cemetery.

LAPP, Mrs. Emma L., 83, Gordonville R1, Pa.
died at home Monday, August 11, at 2:15 p.m. She had an operation to have a growth removed from her neck about six months ago and had been failing since but was able to attend church services till a week before her death. Born in East Lampeter Township, she was a daughter of the late Isaac and Susan (Lapp) Fisher. Her husband, Jesse J. Lapp, died in 1957. She is survived by the following children, Mary, wife of Jonas Smoker, Gordonville R1; Naomi, wife of John A. Beiler, and Rebecca, wife of Amos Bawell, both of Leola R1; Gideon F. Lapp, Ronks R1; Jesse F. Lapp, Gordonville R1; Elam F. Lapp, Peach Bottom R2; Lydia F., wife of John E. Fisher, Gap R1; 53 grandchildren; 67 great-grandchildren; one brother, Elam S. Fisher, Gordonville R1; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, and Susie, wife of Benuel Stoltzfus, Quarryville R3.

Funeral services were held at the Jesse K. Lapp home Wednesday, August 13, at 12 noon by Pre. John K. Lapp and Pre. Amos F. Stoltzfus; hymn read by Pre. Daniel L. Stoltzfus; burial at Gordonville Cemetery; hymn read by Dea. Aaron J. Glick; abschied by Bishop Sylvan F. Stoltzfus.

MILLER, Elizabeth M., 66, of Geauga County, Ohio
died July 19 after a lingering illness. A daughter of the late Mike Millers, she was first married to Joe C. Slaubach, and lived in matrimony two years. She married the second time to Levi F. Miller. Surviving are her husband, one step son; four step grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Mahlon (Sarah) Schrock, Kentucky, Mrs. Elmer (Emma) Mast, and Mrs. Ervin A. (Malinda) Gingerich.

Burial was in the Hayes Corner Cemetery.

MILLER, Jonas Jr., 4 days, of Geauga Co., Ohio
was born August 8th and died August 12th. He was a son of Jonas V. and Mary Ann (Byler) Miller.

MILLER, Jacob R., 91, Middlebury R1, Indiana
died Wednesday, July 30, at the home of his son, Lloyd J. Miller. He had been in failing health for quite some time. He was born near Middlebury June 4, 1884, and lived there his entire life. He was married March 8, 1908 to Katie Miller, who died Jan. 2, 1972. Surviving are six sons, Samuel J. of LaGrange, and Levi J., Daniel J., David J., Lloyd J. and Rudy J., all of Middlebury; three daughters, Mrs. Cornelius (Polly) Miller of Middlebury, Mrs. Joe A. (Ida) Bontrager of Goshen, and Mrs. LeRoy (Anna) Schrock of Hayward, Wis.; 53 grandchildren; eight step grandchildren, and 199 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, August 1, at 1 p.m. in the Lloyd J. Miller home by Bishop Enos Troyer. Burial was in the Thomas Cemetery.

MILLER, Mrs. Edna, 65, Sugarcreek R2, Ohio

died of a cerebral hemorrhage Sunday morning, August 24, in her home following a three-day illness. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Noah D. and Vena D. (Beachy) Stutzman. Surviving are her husband, Roman D. Miller, three sons and four daughters, Aden R. of the home, Roy R. of McConnelsville R4, Noah R. of R4 and Mrs. Eli J. (Esther) Miller of Star Route, both Millersburg, Mrs. Melvin A. (Susie) Raber of R1 and Mrs. Dan J. (Lydiann) Yoder of R2, both Sugarcreek, and Mrs. Wallace (Mary) Zook of Dundee R2; three sisters and a brother, Mrs. Mose J. (Lydiann) Nisley of Baltic R1, Mrs. Jacob A. (Mattie) Miller of R2 and Mary of R1, both Sugarcreek, and Roman N. of Topeka, Ind., and 45 grandchildren. Three brothers also preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 27, at 9:30 a.m. in her home, by Eli J. M. Miller. Burial was in Miller Cemetery, Clark Township.

NISLEY, Jacob, 78, Goshen R1, Indiana

died Wednesday, July 30, at the home of his son, Ora J. Nisley. He had been in failing health five months and death was due to cancer. He was born east of Goshen in December of 1896, and had lived in the Goshen area all his life. He was married Feb. 1, 1922, to Katie Chupp, who preceded him in death Jan. 7, 1967. Surviving are three sons, Ora J. and Melvin, both of Goshen, and William of LaGrange; 20 grandchildren; one great-grandson; and two brothers, Bishop Perry Nisley of Goshen and Jonas Nisley of Bristol.

Funeral services were held Friday, August 1, at 9:30 a.m. in the Ora Nisley home, by Bishop Jesse Schlabach, Pre. David Yoder and Pre. Enos Eash. Burial was in the Clinton Brick Cemetery.

PEACHEY, Levi H., 39, Mifflintown R1, Pa.

was killed instantly of a crushed chest when a tractor overturned on him; aged 39 yrs., 10 mo. and 24 days. He was born near Belleville, Pa. on Sept. 25, 1935, a son of Ben S. and Gertrude (Kanagy) Peachey. He was baptized in September of 1954, and was married Nov. 26, 1959 to Mollie Yoder, daughter of Jonas D. and Nancy (Renno) Yoder, by Bishop John B. Renno near Belleville, Pa. They moved to Juniata County, Pa. in April of 1966. He is survived by his parents, Ben Peacheys, and two sons and five daughters, Gertrude, Jonas, Sadie, Nanny, Elizabeth, Kathy, and John, aged from two to fifteen years. Three children died in infancy.

Funeral services were held by Dan L. Peachey and David L. Smoker in the house, and by Christ Hostetler and John M. Swarey in the barn. Burial was in the Amish Van Wert Cemetery.

SCHWARTZ, Mattie J. M., age 4, of Geneva, Ind.

was killed in a farm accident July 9th (see front page). She was born July 14, 1970, a daughter of Pre. Joseph E. and Martha (Eicher) Schwartz, and is survived by her parents; ten sisters, Bertha, Esther, Katie, Martha, Anna, Mary, Barbara, Leah, Sarah, and Emma; four brothers, Daniel, Samuel, Joseph, and Jacob, all at home; and the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Sam A. (Bertha) Eicher of New Haven R1, Ind.

Funeral services were held at the home of the parents. Burial was in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

STOLTZFUS, Infant, Kirkwood R1, Pa.

The infant daughter of Israel and Suvilla (Fisher) Stoltzfus died Sunday, August 10, in the Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital. Surviving with the parents are the following brothers and sisters, Priscilla, John, Samuel, Benjamin, Sarah, Fannie, Henry, Christian, and Barbara, all at home; the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Priscilla Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, and the maternal grandparents, John Z. and Sarah (Blank) Fisher, New Holland R2.

STOLTZFUS, John F., 13, Kirkwood R1, Pa.

was killed in a farm accident Friday afternoon, August 15th (see front page). He is survived by his parents, John B. and Susan E. (Fisher) Stoltzfus; the following brothers and sisters, Emma, wife of Christian Beiler, Quarryville R2, Mary F., Rachel F., Susan F., Elizabeth F., Levi Z., Christian M., Emanuel F., Samuel F., Joseph F., Isaac F., and Henry F., all at home; the paternal grandparents, Isaac L. and Mary King, Bird-in-Hand R1; and the maternal grandparents, Christian M. and Emma Fisher, Ronks R1.

Funeral services were held at 9 a.m., August 18th, short services in house by Bishop David L. Riehl, hymn by Pre. Benuel F. Esh; services in barn by Pre. Amos L. Lapp and Pre. Elam K. Beiler (Brush Valley), hymn by Dea. Aaron J. Stoltzfus; burial in Fisher's Cemetery, Bartville, hymn read by Pre. John P. Esh, abschied by Pre. Bennie Fisher.

STOLTZFUS, Sara Lyn, age 3, Honey Brook R2, Pa.

died at home Thursday, August 28, at 10:45 p.m. following a year's illness. She was born in Honey Brook Township, a daughter of Amos E. and Hannah (Yoder) Stoltzfus. Surviving are her parents, a sister, Susanna E., and a brother, Melvin John, at home; maternal grandparents, Alvin F. and Malinda Yoder, Mifflinburg R2; paternal grandparents, John L. and Malinda Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2; maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Mollie L. Yoder, Mifflinburg R2, and paternal great-grandparents, Amos E. and Suvilla Stoltzfus, Morgantown R1.

Funeral services were held at the late home Saturday, August 30, at 12 noon. Burial was in the Stoltzfus Cemetery.

SWARTZENTRUBER, Dan S., 70, Holmesville, Ohio

died at his home, August 15, from a heart attack. He wanted to go after the cows, his wife found him dead beside the barn. Surviving are four sons and two daughters.

Funeral services were held at the church house, August 18, by a Yoder from Stark County, Dan A. Stutzman and Bishop Ben Miller.

WENGERD, John N. age 2,, of Bryant R2, Indiana was fatally injured in a buggy accident July 27th (see front page). He was born April 30, 1973, a son of John and Rosie (Wickey) Wengerd. Surviving are the parents; four brothers, David, Levi, Daniel, and Neal; two sisters, Anna and Christine, all at home; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Wengerd and Mr. and Mrs. Levi R. Wickey of Berne; the great-grandparents, David D. Wickey and Mr. and Mrs. John Hilty.

Funeral services were held at the home of the parents. Burial was in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

MARRIAGES

Ashland County, Ohio

Troyer, Miller – Melvin, son of Menno J. Troyers, to Saloma, daughter of Sam E. Millers, August 26, by Bishop John Brenneman.

Schrock, Yoder – Bishop Emanuel Schrock, age 71, to Emma I. Yoder, age 53, August 28, by Bishop Uriah Yoder.

Allen County, Indiana

Lengacher, Schmucker – Joseph, son of Elmer and Anna (Schmucker) Lengacher, to Marie, dau. of Menno and Maggie (Steury) Schmucker, August 10, by Bishop Christy Schmucker

Miller, Eicher – John, son of Daniel and Rosa (Eicher) Miller, to Susan, daughter of Ben and Margaret (Lengacher) Eicher, August 21, by Bishop Christy Schmucker

Adams County, Indiana

Schwartz, Schwartz – Jonas M., son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew W. Schwartz, Geneva R1, to Katie M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob E. Schwartz, Berne R2, July 24th.

Shetler, Schwartz – William, son of Mrs. Lovina Shetler, Monroe R1, to Mary H., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Schwartz, Geneva R2, August 21st.

Hilty, Miller – Martin A., son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew A. Hilty, Monroe R1, to Elizabeth L., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi L. Miller, Berne R1, August 28th.

Kokomo, Indiana

Lonnie, son of Melvin C. and Laura (Miller) Bontrager, to Sara, daughter of Albert H. and Elva Miller.

Arthur, Illinois

Miller, Gingerich – Marlin, son of Joe and Anna Miller, Nappanee, Indiana, to Mary, daughter of Eli and Fannie (Diener) Gingerich, August 8th.

Jamesport, Missouri

Graber, Hostetler – Mose, son of Melvin and Sarah (Schrock) Graber, to Ida, daughter of Simon and Susie (Plank) Hostetler, August 7th.

Milverton, Ontario

Wagler, Kuepfer – Gideon, son of Enos and Mary (Kuepfer) Wagler, to Nancy, daughter of Israel and Esther (Albrecht) Kuepfer, August 21, by Bishop Joseph K. Jantzi.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Lancaster County, Pa.

Amos S., 8-year-old son of John F. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Fisher of near the Buck, Quarryville R1, was injured in a farm accident Aug. 26th. Amos went to the pasture to bring in the driving horse when he was somehow thrown against a rock striking his head. He had a fractured skull for which he was taken to the hospital and operated on. After six days he was released and coming along well.

Lightning struck the harness shop of Levi B. King of Witmer, destroying the second floor and had quite a bit of water and smoke damage to first floor.

East Lampeter Amish Parocial School Board bought Fairview School along South Ronks Road at public sale for $23,600 on Saturday, Aug. 23rd. It was the last one room school that Conestoga Valley School District had operated. School opened Sept. 2 with Sara Fisher, a member of The Diary staff, as the new teacher.

AMISH LIABILITY AID MEETING

The Amish Liability Aid yearly committee and director's meeting was held at David N. Peachey's, Belleville, Pa., Aug. 12th. Thirty eight directors and thirty six other committee men and friends were present. The directors were asked to collect $9.25 each from 740 enrolled members. This was to pay for claims which happened from Aug. 31, 1974 to Aug. 12, 1975. Next meeting is to be held Aug. 10, 1976 at Jonas L. Stoltzfus's, Bird-in-Hand, Pa.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Ethridge, Tennessee

Junior, 5-year-old son of Virgil Blake's, toppled off their buggy and broke his arm. The parents moved in from California and seem to have full intentions of joining the Amish.

We probably had a record breaker for many communities over the weekend, especially for small communities like Ethridge, with one birth Aug. 30th and three on the 31st. All four are boys and were born within twelve hours time.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Cashton, Wisconsin

Joe C. Borntreger and wife had a spill on the way home from the funeral of David Hochstetler at Wilton, Wisconsin on Aug. 15th. The horse refused to hold back when going down a long steep hill and started to kick and run. When they were a little over half way down she took the left ditch and they flew out. Joe landed on his head and also hurt his back and shoulder. The Mrs. was luckily not hurt much except her knees are a little black and blue.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Wayne County, Ohio

Cindy, daughter of Ivan and Clara Weaver, had a mishap with a pony cart, July 30th. One of the tires blew out and scared the pony, who ran off. Cindy fell off and broke both bones in her right arm.

Rudy Byler had a mishap Aug. 2nd when some of his neighbor's hogs got out. As he was helping to get them in one of them got mad and grabbed his left hand. He had to have six stitches to close the wound, and was off work two weeks.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil Hershberger

August was a warm month with plenty of rain. Pastures and lawns were green all summer. Total rainfall for August was 5.6 inches, with hot and humid weather. Silo filling is well underway. Corn crop is extra good. Cutting and shocking of field corn has begun. Hog prices have topped at 62¢, with feeder pigs still holding around $1 lb. Many hot peppers are not doing well this year due to a blight; however, several are reporting good yields.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

Most of August was warm and humid with temperature nearly 100 several days. On Aug. 6 we were gladdened by nearly 3 inches rain. The second and third weeks were exceptionally warm and humid with the climax on Aug. 24! It was pretty dry again until the 31st we had a rather severe thunderstorm with 2 inches rain. Silo filling is pretty well on. We have very nice corn this year except where it was too wet in low spots. Schools opened Aug. 25 with 103 pupils in 3 schools.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for the Bareville area was 4.6 inches.

Market report: Prime steers $52 to $56.60 cwt.; Feeders, good and choice, $28 to $38 cwt.; fat hogs $58 to $62 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs $1.13 to $1.40 lb.; prime veal $68 to $70 cwt; dairy cows at New Holland $450 to $1000; choice lambs $41 to $43.50 cwt; Ear corn $72 to $85 ton, $3.20 bu; wheat $3.10 to $3.60 bu; barley $1.80 bu; oats $1.65 bu.; hay $40 to $73 ton; straw $33 to $42 ton; milk around $9.15 cwt.; large eggs 59¢ doz.; Leghorn fowl 7¢ lb, heavy 15¢ lb; pullets 49¢, roasters 43¢ lb. Potatoes retail at $6.00 cwt.

by Ammon F. Fisher

August started in hot and dry, temperatures in the 90's the first four days. Total rainfall was 2½ in., most of it in showers. Some places they had hail and high winds. The last two days were cloudy and cooler, almost like fall.

by Elam S. Beiler

Third cutting alfalfa is in now, most of it without rain. Some of it was somewhat yellow and short, except those that had sprayed, also wild grass had almost taken over in some fields. Hay is bringing high prices. Over half of tobacco is in. Early tobacco is heavy, some of late plantings will be light. Good curing weather so far. Some are filling silo, that had early varieties and are out of silage. Corn is tall and looks good. Peaches were not quite as plentiful as some years. Our local orchard had a lot of hail marked peaches. Garden vegetables are plentiful, some grapes are blighting before they are ripe. Most of schools starting Sept. 1, a few Aug. 25.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

August was a bit on the dry side, although we did have 4.1 inches rain, it came mostly in small amounts. Tobacco harvest has begun and is about medium size this year. Early planted corn is starting to dent. The price of corn seems to stay up fairly well. The dry summer which some people predicted didn't affect crops much in our neighborhood.

Bradford County, Pennsylvania, by Clemens Nissley

The weather in August was normal with plenty of rainfall. Threshing was held up somewhat with rainy days, but is mostly done now. Some fields of oats that are not combined are very weedy and down. Oats was a good crop with yields as high as 80 bu. Second cutting hay is a good crop and still some to cut. Weather is fall like with shorter days and cooler weather. Early corn is well-dented and looks promising. Silo filling will soon start.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Beiler

August started in with three days of very warm weather. The fourth we had a nice rain, after that it was cooler. On the sixth we had an all day rain. The rest of the month was nice with a little rain now and then. Monday and Tuesday of the last week it was warm, then rain on the last three days. Tomatoes are being picked the second time now.

Centre County, Pennsylvania, by Tobias D. Stoltzfus

August came in real dry and warm this year. It started to rain on the 5th and rained over two inches. It was just in time for corn, tomatoes, and third crop alfalfa. Tomato picking started in August this year, somewhat earlier than last year. We have had more real warm weather this summer than any of the other years since we are living in Centre County.

Centre County, Pennsylvania, by David B. Stoltzfus

Most farmers put in second cutting hay and threshed oats before the welcome 1½ inch all day rain Aug. 6. We had nice rains the rest of the month, up to an inch at a time, with the month ending cool and rainy. First picking tomatoes is done with a large amount not yet ripe. Some early corn was put in silo to feed right away.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam M. Troyer

August was a pleasant month except it was somewhat dry till the 29th when we had a nice 2.2 inch rain which came down nice and steady. We had about 1.6 inches before that in three or four different showers. It was very warm several days. In our area corn isn't very good, but some places have some nice corn. Lots of peaches and apples.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

August started in warm and dry. Aug. 2 the temperature was up to 106. On Aug. 6 we had a steady all day rain of 1.3 in. After that the dry spell seemed to be broken. Nights were cooler, lowest temperature

52. Total rainfall for the month 7 inches. Lawns and pastures look very nice and green again. Field tomatoes are a good crop. Apples and peaches are plentiful. Peaches are selling for $5 a bushel at our local orchard, but higher price other places. Silo filling has started. Schools opened on Aug. 25.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y. Renno

The weather was mostly very warm and dry in August, only a few light showers. Temperatures were over 100 in the afternoon many times. Grass is brown and corn is hurting. Hay and oats were in good condition to store and a good crop. We had good showers the last two days in August.

Path Valley, Pennsylvania, by Daniel Z. Beiler

We had good growing weather in August. Corn filled out nicely. Silo filling has just started. Fall plowing is mostly done, a few fields sowed. We are having pleasant weather with cool nights.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

We had a hot, dry spell the beginning of August. Temperature went over the 100 degree mark during the first few days, which was followed by several light thunder showers. We had heavy thunder showers the night of Aug. 13, also a half inch on Aug. 16. Since that farmers had ideal weather for making hay and a lot of hay was put in barns. Aug. 27 we had another hot day with 94 degrees, followed by strong winds and scattered thunder showers. Temp. dropped 31 degrees overnight. The last three days we had light showers, bringing the total for Aug. to 3.1 inches.

Oakland, Maryland, by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

Our summer has been warmer than usual with an ample amount of moisture. Combining and bean picking has been slowed down on account of wet weather. Many semi loads of green beans have been taken to the canneries at Frederick, Md., and Milford, Del. Soft fields at some places hindered picking with the mechanical pickers.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Abe S. Kinsinger

We were having nice rains during August. A lot of second cutting hay was put away. Oats is still not all in, as a lot was blown flat and has to be combined, which makes them very busy with showers entering in. Corn looks to be a good crop. Rainfall for Aug. was 7 inches, with 2½ inches falling the last two days. Nice peaches run from $6.50 to $7.00 a bushel.

Guys Mills, Pennsylvania, by Melvin D. Byler

Weather in August was very warm and humid the first part, up to 96 in the shade. We had enough rain to keep moisture in the ground. Excellent weather for corn. The latter part of the month we had a lot of rain, including several very bad thunderstorms. The ground is very wet. Threshing is still in process, although the rain put a stop to it this last week. Most of second crop hay is put up, which was a good crop. Most corn is dented pretty good now, although not much is put in silos yet. Feed prices are rising slightly. Soybean meal is up to $9.45 cwt. Shelled corn is $6.95 cwt; oats $6.00 cwt. Cattle are still low, although milk prices are going up. Grade A prices jumped 30¢ cwt. last month and are expected to go up another 30¢ this month. They expect prices to go close to $10 per cwt. this fall. Grade B prices are around $7.45 cwt., which is higher than they have been yet.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania, by Dan L. Troyer

Morning temperature in August was mostly in the 60's. The coolest was 45 on the 8th, and the warmest 72 on the 26th. We had only six clear days, many damp days, and quite a bit of lightning and thunder storms, blowing down trees in some places. About 8 inches rain fell throughout the month. Second cutting hay is a good crop, but hard to get dry without rain. Oats is all threshed, with a fair yield. Corn looks good.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Fisher

The first week in August was very warm and humid, then we had a very cool spell. It was good growing weather, but somewhat dry. The last week it turned excessively wet, numerous rainy days, and thunderstorms. Most of the oats is threshed with a fair yield. The little that is not threshed is sprouting on the shock, and straw will be worth very little. Corn is an extra good crop for this area, and is about ready for the silo. Gardens are yielding abundantly. Peaches are expensive, from $6.50 to $8.50 a bushel. Sugar is going up again. Can lids are almost as scarce as hen's teeth. Freezers are overflowing.

Townville, Pennsylvania, by Willis J. Hostetler

Weather in August was warm and sultry with a lot of rain. We only threshed one day. Oats shocks are almost black. Milk price is $8 per cwt. Fruit was plentiful this summer. Peaches were from $5 to $8 per bushel.

Conewango Valley, New York, by Mrs. Menno E. Miller

August had above normal rainfall. Threshing is delayed due to rain. Oats is a good crop. Corn is two weeks earlier than usual. Gardens have done extra well, too. Peaches were $6.50 a bu; pears from $2.50 to $6.50 bu. Oats averaged in the 50 bu. per acre. One farmer had 113 bu. per acre. A lot of oats went down this year.

Ashtabula County, (Orwell), Ohio, by Mrs. Albert Mast

August was on the wet side. Some folks had trouble getting in their straw and a lot of the last hay rotted in the fields. People that have good gardens have plenty for the ones that didn't. Tomatoes are very plentiful. Peaches are being canned and are about the same price as last year. The week of the 17th was dreary, and it rained some. The 24th, 26th, and 29th we had very hard rain and thunder showers. On the 24th they also had wind west of us. It turned over some buggies at church. Lightning struck a barn and it burned down, also killed two cows at another place. At another place where they had church it hit the silo and knocked down all the horses.

Geauga County, Ohio, by Mrs. Jerry E. Byler

We had lots of rain in August. Farmers had a hard time to get their oats threshed and second crop hay in. We had 7.3 inches in one week. We have had hard thunder and lightning. On Aug. 24 Mose J. Miller's barn burned down from lightning, with all his hay and oats. His horse in the barn was also struck and killed. William J. E. Byler had two heifers killed by lightning the same day. Corn is a good crop around here. Oats yielded around 100 bu. for some. One field made 120 bu. to the acre.

by John H. Hershberger

The weather for August has been very warm and humid, although the nights were cooler. We had more than usual rainfall. Aug. 15 we had an all day rain. Aug. 24 we had an electrical storm and hard rain. In Cleveland they had 4 in. rain in a short time. A young girl was sucked into a sewer, and a man was found drowned when the water went down, and two boys were killed by lightning. Aug 26 we had another hard rain which came down in sheets.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

Total rainfall for the month was about 4½ inches. The grass looks nice and green and pasture is good yet. A few silos have been filled and a lot of plowing has been done. Second cutting hay is a good crop.

Southeastern Holmes, by John L. Yoder

August had its usual midsummer weather, including several thunder showers, but not many cool nights yet. Pastures are a lush green. Corn shows very little change yet, and looks like a good crop. Fall plowing is about all done. Silo filling has just started. Beef prices are about the same. Hogs are around 60¢, pigs still high. Milk at cheese factory is about at its highest.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Farmers are busy getting wheat ground ready when it is not too wet. We had lots of nice rains in Aug. There is lots of fall pasture, and hay if you can get it cured. Apple trees are just loaded. Peaches are trucked in from Pennsylvania, and sell for $6 per bu. Plenty of vegetables in the garden, also lots of grapes. Silo filling is starting, with good corn.

Western Holmes County, by Monroe A. Weaver

We had about normal temperatures in August. Aug. 1 was the warmest day of the year, right at 100. We had over 5 inches of rain, but at places a few miles from here it was quite dry at times. Small grain and hay produced well, and most of the corn looks promising. Grain and feed is higher again. Hogs and feeder pigs are making new high records. and feeder calves new low records. One extreme brings on another. If you have corn silage, these 400 to 500 lb. feeders at $100 might be a good buy.

Utica, Ohio, by Melvin E. Hershberger

August was dry the first part of the month, then we had quite wet the rest of the month with a total rainfall of 7.26 inches. We had five days of 90 degrees or above. The high was 95 on the second and the low was 42 on the eighth. Calves have gone up a little, also milk has gone up.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Katie Brenneman

August was wet and humid; rainfall was about 3½ inches. Corn looks promising. We were blessed with a good crop of hay, wheat, and oats, also vegetables and fruit, so far this spring and summer.

Oscoda County, Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

The first part of August was hot and dry but crops didn't suffer much before we got rain. The last few weeks we had quite a lot of rain, a record rainfall for Michigan for the month of August. Last weekend we had almost five inches in four days. There is still some oat threshing to do. Some tractor farmers have already started filling silo. Corn looks good.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

We had regular showers throughout the month of August with a total of 7 inches. Silo filling started Aug. 26. A week-old baby calf sells from $10 to $20 per head, a 30-lb. pig for $40.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

During August we had over average rainfall, heat, and humidity; probably the wettest August on record. July was our driest month since we live here, and August the wettest. It rained nearly every day the last two weeks, up to 5 inches in 24 hours. Some of the crops, like corn and beans, were hurt too much in July to benefit from these rains. There is one thing nice about all the rain, plowing for wheat is almost perfect. Some oats that was not threshed before the rain looks about black and almost rotted. What was threshed in July was an excellent crop. Wheat had yielded very good, too. Hay was a good crop, but much of the first cutting in June was drenched and the second cutting is being drenched by the August rains.

Centreville, Michigan, by Treva J. Yoder

August was wet and warm, hard to get second cutting hay in, Many nights it rained from 1 to 3 in. Corn is looking good, selling from $3 to $3.36 bu. Feeder pigs $50.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

August had quite a few hot and muggy days, also quite a bit of rain. We had 3 inches during the night of Aug. 21, and a severe thunder storm caused the barn of Amos Gerig's to burn down.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

Throughout the month of August warm weather prevailed. We had sufficient rains; and lawns, gardens, and fields are nice and green. Corn and soy beans look very nice. Silo filling will begin ere long. Tomatoes are plentiful. Alfalfa is growing out nicely. Women are canning peaches; most of it is done. We are having cloudy weather with light rain at times.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

August 1 was very warm and humid, 2nd and third an average of 3 inches rain, which was very welcome to relieve the hot and dry weather, also made the nights nice and cool. The sixth and seventh warm and humid, the eighth an all day rain of two inches brought on the watermelons and muskmelons. The second and third week warm with occasional showers. Sweet corn was a good crop. Women are busy canning tomatoes, peaches, pears, etc. Early grapes are ripe, also. The 29th and 30th we had rain.

Nappanee, Indiana, by Joni D. Gingerich

August was rather unusual this year as it is usually a dry month, but this year we had seven inches rain throughout the month. The most it rained at any one time was 1.8 inches in 24 hours. All our rains came very nice and slow, no run off at all. Wheat ground was plowed early and is in very good shape for sowing. Corn and soybeans look promising after a very dry July that brought us no measurable rainfall. Early vegetables all yielded good so far. Early potatoes are dug, and the late ones appear to be a good crop too, although there are hardly any raised for the market here. Our highest temperature for the month was 98 degrees on the 23rd and the lowest was 57 on the 18th. We had many cloudy and partly cloudy days. Dairy cows are much cheaper than they were a year ago, most of them are going through the sales for between $300 and $400 each; nice calves, up to a week old, are selling for around $15 a piece; hogs and feeder pigs are high.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

The month of August brought us an unusually high total of rainfall, eight inches or more. We had rain every week but still had four days or more of sunshine each week. Those days were quite often warm and humid. The weather conditions gave everyone an abundant supply of vegetables from the garden. The farmers had a problem getting hay in without rain.

Milroy, Indiana, by John R. Yutzy

August was quite warm this year. We had eleven days of 90 degrees or over. The high was 93. This has been the driest here since the Amish settled here in 1970. We had 3½ inches rain in August. Soybeans that were planted in wheat stubble don't look as if they will make much. We will likely take a 10% cut in corn yields. It is too dry to plow. Silo filling has started. Garden things are mostly past. Rains are only around ½ inch at a time. We have had no soaking rain since March.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

Weather was rather damp and cloudy, not much heavy rain but heavy dew. We had several sudden thunder showers in the last half, close to three inches of rain. Some days were very warm, a few days above 90 degrees. Crops look good; beans are losing their leaves and beginning to ripen; corn is also maturing. A few farmers have filled silo

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

Our drought has now ended. Pastures and lawns are green again, and vegetation looks refreshed. In our nearby town of Elkton it rained 4 inches in a few hours last Thursday, while 4 miles south it rained only four-tenths inch. Corn is ripening fast. A few have started shelling. Corn is $2.90, wheat $3.95, beans $5.80.

Ethridge, Tennessee, by Jacob J. Gingerich

We had good rainfall for August, nearly 6 inches, and the highest temperatures for the year. High was 91, low 62. Most crops are a little better than average. The busy fall season is in full swing. Silo filling is pretty well over. Corn, tobacco, and haying has people calling for help. Molasses cooking has started. Peppers are being picked, and a good crop.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by E. E. Schock

The first half of August was hot and dry. Temperature was up to 107 one day, but we usually have a good breeze. We had several rains now and it cooled off somewhat, making us think of fall already. Schools have started. Apples, peaches, and pears seem to be plentiful, but high priced.

Reno County (Partridge), Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

The first part of August was quite dry with most things at a standstill, with temperatures over 100. Aug. 18 we had 2 inches rain, and 2 inches Aug. 28, so things are greening up and wheat ground is being prepared. Milo is heading, but in need of these rains. Wheat was up to $4, but dropped sharply the last few days. Fertilizer prices are coming down some. Lots of ammonia is being put on.

Garnett, Kansas, by Edward H. Yoder

The latter half of August brought us some moisture with quite a variation, some areas as much as eleven inches. The forepart of August was dry with a continuation from july, having around eight weeks without much rain. Soybeans and late milo looks good and pastures are growing well again. Some of the corn is harvested, yield will be cut considerably.

Seymour, Missouri, by Menno D. Schwartz

August, usually a dry month, got quite a bit of rain, which varied from three to six inches, with quite a bit of heavy thunder and lightning, but not much wind damage. Rainfall for last week of August was 3½ inches. The blackberry crop was good, some selling a few gallons. Garden things were very good and potato crop was the best ever. Hardly any second cutting hay was made, since fertlizers are so high the ground don't get its boost. Fat hogs holding at $59 Cwt.; Feeder pigs as high as $122 Cwt.; Feeder cattle from $22 to $30; Dairy cattle from $300 to $400 a piece. No more can milk is bought in the state of Missouri. Quite a few farmers bought calves to put on cows or feed the milk by bucket. Some make cheese and butter and pour the rest to the pigs.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

The first part of August was still dry. We had several small showers around the middle of the month, then a big 3½ inch rainfall Aug. 29, which should help our fall pasture. Most of corn was put in silo the last two weeks. Some early corn is ready to husk. Feed prices are advancing again, but milk prices are better and hogs are very valuable property. Men are getting ready for fall seeding and doing some building.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

The summer drought continued till the middle of August. About 3½ inches rain fell after the 14th, but not much of it ran off. Crops suffered from drought and heat. Cattle had to be fed about like in the winter months. Silo filling is well underway. Lots of second crop clover is being harvested for seed, with a good yield. Tomatoes, grapes, and apples are a good crop, also pears. Trees are hanging full. There were enough peaches to satisfy everybody.

Arabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

This area is experiencing very dry. No soaking rain for 7 weeks. Big cracks 2 inches and bigger are very familiar. Corn and gardens are drying up. Corn is a 50% to 60% failure. Soybeans also hurt bad. Pastures are drying up, so cattle must be fed. Aug. 13 our drought was broken by a slow drizzle rain. More rain from Aug. 14 to 17 with 2 inches in all, coming gently and cracks not all rained shut. More warm and dry till the 25th when we got 2.3 in. Pastures and yards are now green again. Hay fields are greening up, too. Highest for the month was 102 on Aug. 12 with hot, dry winds.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

August weather was dry and very warm, up to 100 several times. We had about 6 inches rain for the month, but around us it wasn't that much. Corn will be a fair crop. Silo filling has started. A few are making clover seed.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

Our dry spell (which lasted seven weeks) was broken Aug. 13 by 3 inches rain, and 3 more inches on Aug. 25. Grass on lawns and pastures is green again. Silo filling is on the go.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

We have had a long dry spell through July and the first part of August, but now since Aug. 9 we've been having nice rains, with a total of over 4 inches. So all crops, pastures and lawns have greened up again. Corn will be damaged some by the drought, but the beans should make real good yet.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

The month of August had 4½ inches of rain, six days of 90 degree weather and over. The last half of the month had the rains, which made a different picture of the countryside. Pastures are turning green again. Silo filling has started. Corn on heavy soil is making a heavy crop; on lighter soil, maybe half. Market for feeder cattle $25 to $27 cwt; feed pigs 85¢ to $1 lb. Veal calves 20¢ to 30¢ a lb.

Bloomfield, Iowa, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

July was very dry with hardly any rain. Pastures and lawns were brown up until mid-August. Since we've had nice showers amounting to 4 to 5 inches. everything is a spring green. Crops will suffer some from dryness, but not a whole lot. We have had real warm days, but often a nice breeze blowing, too. Gardens produced fairly well and melons are plentiful. Beef prices are quite low with hog prices an all-time high. Lots of both are raised through here.

Milton, Iowa, by Delbert R. Schmucker

The rains came at last. We had almost seven weeks without rains except light showers. Corn looks good. Some spots in the community they had drier and the corn is a bit short. Cattle steady; fat hogs up to $60 cwt. Feeder pigs $1.25 lb. Feeder calves are up a little. Corn and beans down. We threshed some speltz this summer and don't know the weight.

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker, Jr.

The first part of August was dry. The 19th we had rain, and since it was mostly rainy, with several days that it dried off enough to go on with threshing. Oats was mostly good. Corn is pretty good. Some fields aren't so good from weather conditions in the spring. No frosts yet. Schools started Aug. 25.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

August was dry the first three weeks with very warm weather, up to 90 several days. It was good weather for threshing and to make second cutting hay. Hay was short due to dry weather. Oats yield was fair, from 40 to 75 bu. per acre. We had rain Aug. 21 which really soaked in as it came slowly. We had 5 inches, so it is too wet to finish threshing.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

August started in warm and dry, a few light showers now and then. On Aug. 20 we had a very good soaker. We had thunder showers off and on a little better than a week, with some very heavy rains totaling 7.4 inches. Most people are done threshing. Oats was a fair yield. Late corn looks better since the rains. The heavily fertilized corn was burned quite badly in our dry spell, and the rain was too late. Some stalks have no ears at all.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Joe C. Borntreger

August was dry up to the 21st when we got 4 in. in 4 days. Corn looks like a good crop except for the sand and gravel ridges. Early oats was of good quality and yield, late ones reported lighter. Threshing is mostly done.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Moses S. Miller

The forepart of August was hot and dry. Our drought ended Aug. 21, when we had rain with high winds, blowing down trees and doing a little damage to buildings. Aug. 22 we had what seemed to be a cloudburst. Creeks and rivers overflowed, washing out bridges, flooding Blair and Whitehall area. Threshing was mostly done the forepart of the month. Weather isn't favorable for the farmers that have not threshed or combined yet.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William M. Schrock Sr.

We had lots of nice weather in August, warm with a few showers rain, but mostly on the dry side. Oats thrashing over, a lighter yield on account of dry weather, corn also was hurt. Some farmers started filling silo. Lots of nice hay was put up. Women are busy canning. Cattle prices are lower than a year ago. Milk price is still good. Hay sold at a sale for $1.30 a bale; Oats straw, 50¢ a bale; some hay sold for 50¢ a bale out of the field. Potatoes are a good crop.

Canton, Minnesota, by Chriss Stutzman

July was very warm the first week, then several days quite windy; a good rain the 23rd then very warm the rest of the month. First cutting hay was a good crop and some managed to get theirs in without any rain.

We had a week of very warm days the last of July and it was getting quite dry; had some light rains during the first half of August, with a few very warm days; then had thunder showers the last few weeks. Hay was a good crop; second cutting is nearly finished. Oats was a good yield. Corn looks promising for a good crop, a few places not quite so good where it was hit by hail.

Tavistock, Ontario, by Mrs. Emanuel Peachey

The first week in August was mostly cool and cloudy with some rain; then it cleared off again and weather was warm; around the 21st it became rainy and damp and stayed that way since. Men are not finished thrashing and it's nearly two weeks since they were at it last except for one day last week. Some second crop hay is also mown.

Grey County, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

The first part of August was dry and very warm with the temperature going up to 95 degrees. August 10th brought us a change in the weather, two inches of rain fell during the night, and since that we have had over six inches of rain, which is keeping thrashing mostly at a stand still. There is lots of grain in the fields yet.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

We had hot dry weather the beginning of August then turned cooler the week of the 17th. On the 21st had one inch of rain; early Sunday morning of the 24th our five inch rain gauge was running over. It was warm and sultry till Tuesday then turned cooler. Some grain started growing on stooks. A neighbor's corn was only about two feet above water. Creek fences are down. Some did some threshing on the 28th but then it rained again. There isn't too much threshing done. A lot of people have swaths that are growing as they can't get in with combines to thresh. Corn is a good crop.

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

We had warm weather and abundant moisture through August. Harvesting started the end of July with accasional showers hindering it. Threshing started around the 10th, with fair weather until the 21st. On the night of the 23rd we had a continuous thunder storm with from 5½ to 8 inches of rain in the area. It cleared a few days, then we had another 2½ inches on the 29th. There is still a bit of threshing to do.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

July was very warm and by spells a bit dry. We had rains on the last three Sundays, accompanied by winds and thunder. Crops look good; some oats is cut and most of it is quite heavy. Not very much wheat is grown but it yielded 55 to 70. Second cutting hay is of good quality with a very good clover stand this year. Corn is several weeks ahead of schedule and appears like a bumper crop if we don't get an early frost. Fat hogs are a record high of over 80¢ dressed.

August was very wet, more so towards the end of the month. Most of the threshing is done with fair to good yields. The shocks still in the fields are sprouting by now. Corn is dented or denting and looks like a bumper crop. We were fortunate in not getting the heavy flooding rains on the night of the 23rd like they did north of here. We did get 1½ inches on the morning of the 24th, which did very little damage except further delaying the threshing and combining.

St. Mary's (Lakeside Dist.) Ont., by Abe Hochstetler

We had nice harvest weather up to August 21st, then it started to rain; had only a few good thrashing days since. There is still quite a bit of thrashing and combining to do. Silo filling and white bean harvest is just around the corner. Grain had good yields and quality. Corn looks exceptionally good this year.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Arthur, Illinois

Junior Otto's, who live six miles southeast of Arthur, and two of their children were up to visit her parents in the evening of Aug. 18th, and on the way home noticed a rain coming up but made it home. They drove under the foreshoot at about 10 o'clock when lightning struck the buggy, tearing off some of the oilcloth. The horse fell down on his hind legs but got up again right away. Nobody was hurt and there was no fire.

Lightning struck the Erven Kaufman Cabinet Shop on Aug. 11th. Nobody was at home at the time but the neighbors saw the smoke and called the fire truck. It was a total loss, but has been rebuilt again.

As Eldon, son of Ervin Herschberger's, was traveling on the Arthur–Atwood Road after dark in the evening of Aug. 10th, a car coming from behind not noticing it to be a buggy until too close, put on the brakes but hit the buggy. Another car following, not seeing the sudden stop, also hit the two vehicles. The buggy was a total loss. The horse got loose and ran away, but was soon found, unhurt. No one in the buggy was hurt.

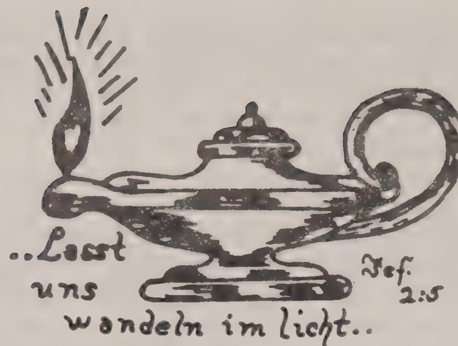
COMMUNITY NOTES – Kokomo, Indiana

Mrs. Dennis (Katie) Herschberger, age 86, underwent surgery for bowel closure and is at home again, and gaining as well as can be expected.

Lightning struck and killed a sow at Emory A. Herschbergers, Aug. 29th. The strike also burst open the closed end of an underground water pipe and completely crushed the tile.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Geauga County, Ohio

Monroe S. Miller cut a deep gash in his arm while cleaning his thrashing machine. A small boy pulled the clutch lever on the tractor, throwing the machine in motion. He had ten stitches and is getting along fine.



BAPTISMS

Dover, Delaware
East District, August 3rd
by Bishop Henry N. Miller of Indiana
Ephraim, son of Bishop John and Lavina Yoder
Ervin, son of Pre. Elmer J. and Mary Yoder
Dora, dau. of Lewis and Anna Swartzentruber
Rachel, dau. of Pre. Neil N. and Emma Hershberger
South West District, August 3rd
by Bishop Jonas Coblentz
Ervin, son of Freeman J. and Anna Mary Coblentz
William, son of Wm. E. and Laura May Miller
Jonas, son of Andy J. D. and Lydia Miller
Sadie, dau. of John E. and Rhoda Miller
Lena, dau. of Pre. Andy H. and Sarah Mast
Sarah Ann, dau. of Dea. Mahlon E. and Lydia Miller
North District, August 10
by Bishop Dan A. Yoder
Raymond, son of Rudy S. and Lydia Byler
Simon, son of Reuben A. and Emma Byler
Edna, dau. of Adam H. and Saloma Byler
Erma, dau. of Pre. Leroy J. and Mary Yoder
Middle District, August 31st
by Bishop Uriah J. Mast of Indiana
Ervin, son of Andy W. and Lizzie Byler
Enos & Emery, twin sons of Sam H. & Dora Mast
Daniel, son of Dan J. and Polly King
Mattie, dau. of Abner J. and Lena Miller
Martha, dau. of Jake N. and Mary Ann Miller

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania
Lower District, August 31st
by Bishop Joshua Renno
Levi, son of Levi Kanagy Jr.
Isaac, son of Samuel P. Yoder
David, son of Pre. Daniel P. Kanagy
Noah, son of Samuel P. Yoder
Linda, dau. of Levi Kanagy Jr.
Lizzie, dau. of Pre. Samuel T. Peachey
Lydia, dau. of Urie Swarey
Annie, dau. of Benjamin S. Peachey
Lydia, dau. of Pre. Samuel T. Peachey
Lydia, dau. of Daniel P. Kanagy
Upper Middle District, August 31st
by Bishop Emanuel Peachey
Leroy, son of Aaron Z. Peachey
Bennie, son of Aaron Z. Peachey
Joseph, son of Pre. Daniel L. Peachey
Lydia, dau. of Eli Wengerd
Elsie, dau. of Daniel M. Peachey
Rachel, dau. of Pre. Daniel M. Peachey
Katie, dau. of Ezra B. Swarey
Hettie, dau. of Daniel N. Peachey
Old Order Valley District, August 31st
by Bishop Crist B. Peachey
Sylvan, son of Samuel H. Peight
Mary, dau. of Pre. Jacob S. Swarey
Mary, dau. of Jesse E. Swarey
Esther, dau. of Daniel R. Peachey
Anna Mae, dau. of Rufas Peachey Jr.

Oakland, Maryland
by Bishop Norman Schrock
Paul, son of Noah and Thelma Kinsinger
Raymond, son of Alvin and Susie Schlabach
Ruth, dau. of Dave and Lizzie Peachey
Ada, dau. of Claude and Rachel Swartzentruber
Katie, dau. of Mrs. Lottie Peachy
Clara, dau. of Robert and Katie Miller

Conneautville, Pennsylvania
August 31, by Bishop Alvin Coblentz
Peter, son of Isaak and Anna Fehr
Reuben, son of John and Anna Raber

Centerville, Pennsylvania
August 24th, by Bishop Alvin J. Coblentz
Ruthie Mae, dau. of Willis and Susie (Troyer) Hostetler
Sara, dau. of Mahlon and Iva (Coblentz) Miller

Holmes County, Ohio
August 3rd, in Abe Hostetler District
Myron, son of Anna Mae and the late Mahlon Gingerich
Wayne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah A. Troyer
August 31st, in Isaac Miller District
Mart, son of Joe L. and Sarah (Miller) Yoder
Amos, son of Atlee L. and Emma (Stutzman) Yoder
Erma, dau. of Menno L. and Mary (Miller) Yoder
Mary Ann, dau. of Enos L. and Clara (Nisley) Miller
Freda, dau. of Calvin and Nettie (Miller) Schlabach
in Dan G. Yoder District
Dennis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Raber
Mary, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Burkholder
Ada Mae, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Raber
Mary, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Andy N. Yoder
Bertha, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Noah N. Yoder
in Andy E. Yoder District
Simon, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Miller
Emanuel & Abe, sons of Abe A. Troyer
Amanda, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Miller
Katie, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Levi A. Hershberger
Lydian, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Troyer
Anna, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Troyer
in Melvin J. Miller District
Wilma, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Noah A. Beachy
Alice, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Coblentz
Miriam, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Beachy
Iva, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert R. Troyer
Lizzie, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Atlee E. Miller

Ashland County, Ohio
August 3rd, in South East District
Mahlon, son of Sam E. and Susie Miller
Lester, son of Menno and Esther Troyer
Jacob, son of John and Bena Hershberger

August 10th, in Middle District
Jonas, son of Dan and Polly Gingerich
Levi, son of Ferdinan and Saloma Miller
Ben, son of Henry B. and Katie Miller
Esther, dau. of Albert J. Keims
Esther, dau. of John E. and Susie Miller

Utica, Ohio
August 31st, by Abe Hostetler of Millersburg
Harry, son of Wayne and Clara Gingrich
David, son of Wallace and Edna Byler
Galen, son of Mel and Edna Beachy
Ruth, dau. of Eli and Amanda Hostetler
Edna, dau. of Andy J. and Sarah Miller

LaGrange County, Indiana
in Will A. Yoder's Clearspring District
Floyd, son of Jacob and Mary (Miller) Kurtz
Amos, son of John and Katie Beachy
Erma, dau. of Elmer and Ella Wingard
Kathryn, dau. of Jacob and Mary Kurtz

Nappanee, Indiana
August 30, in South East Nappanee District
by Bishop Lonnie Slabaugh
Lavern, son of Joseph S. and Anna (Mullet) Miller
Paul, son of Joseph S. and Anna (Mullet) Miller
Samuel, son of Joseph S. and Anna (Mullet) Miller
Lamar, son of Melvin and Clara (Miller) Miller
August 31, in North Millwood District
by Bishop Freeman L. Kuhns
Howard, son of Clarence and Mary Ellen (Yoder) Gingerich

Arthur, Illinois
July 20, in Cris Otto District
Mary, dau. of Eli J. and Fannie Gingerich
July 27, in Amos Otto District
Marlin, son of Joe and Anna (Mullet) Miller
Lydia Mae, dau. of David J. and Mattie (Miller) Beachey
August 24, in South Fairbank District
Joe, son of Min. Andrew and Drusilla Schrock
Glen, son of Noah J. and Clara Yoder
at the home of Felty Kaufmans
Paul, son of Fred J. Schrocks
David, son of Jonas D. Shrocks
Nelson, son of Min. John Hostetlers
Richard, son of Jacob J. Schrocks

Guthrie, Kentucky
August 10, by Bishop Simon M. Yoder
Daniel, son of Samuel and Malinda Swarey
John, son of John and Fannie Miller
Paul, son of Herman and Marie Miller
Melvin, son of Paul and Annie Graber
Melvin, son of William and Ada Byler
Allen, son of Lewis and Annie Yoder
Ferlen, son of Noah and Minnie Yoder
Gary, son of Richard and Ada Lambright
Danny, son of Amos and Elmina Yoder
Emma, dau. of Elmer and Mary Hochstetler
Esther, dau. of Joe and Mary Miller

Milton, Iowa
Middle Church
Miriam, dau. of Junior Mullets
Martha, dau. of Toby Hershbergers
Bertha, dau. of Toby Hershbergers
Savannah, dau. of Ezra Gingerich
South District
Edna, dau. of Menno Hostetler
Lorene, dau. of Andrew Schrocks
Ada, dau. of Joe F. Bontrager
A daughter of Henry Yutzys

Wilton, Wisconsin
August 10, by Bishop Amos M. Borntreger
Jacob, son of John I. Yoder
Harvey, son of Perry N. Hochstetler
Amos, son of Joe A. Borntreger
Mary, dau. of Ben C. Borntreger
Martha, dau. of Jonas J. Miller

Cashton, Wisconsin
August 3rd, in North District
by Bishop Menno M. Hershberger.
Anna, dau. of Harvey Miller
Rachel, dau. of John Hershberger
Emma, dau. of Joe C. Borntreger
August 10, in South District
Eddie, son of Amos V. Borntreger
Joe, son of Aden Yoder
Naomi, dau. of Perry Miller
Sara, dau. of Wm. Schmucker
Emma, dau of Wm. Kampf
Mary, dau. of Menno Hochstetler
Sara, dau. of Levi Miller
Mary, dau. of Felty Borntreger
Mary, dau. of Chris Hershberger
Barbara, dau. of Sam Miller
Anna, dau. of Joe E. Bontrager

BARRS MILLS AREA SAW MILL ACCIDENT

Pre. Abe L. Miller of Farmerstown, Ohio, got three fingers cut in the saw at Stony Point Lumber on Tuesday, Aug. 25th. He has not been on the job since.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Norwich, Ontario

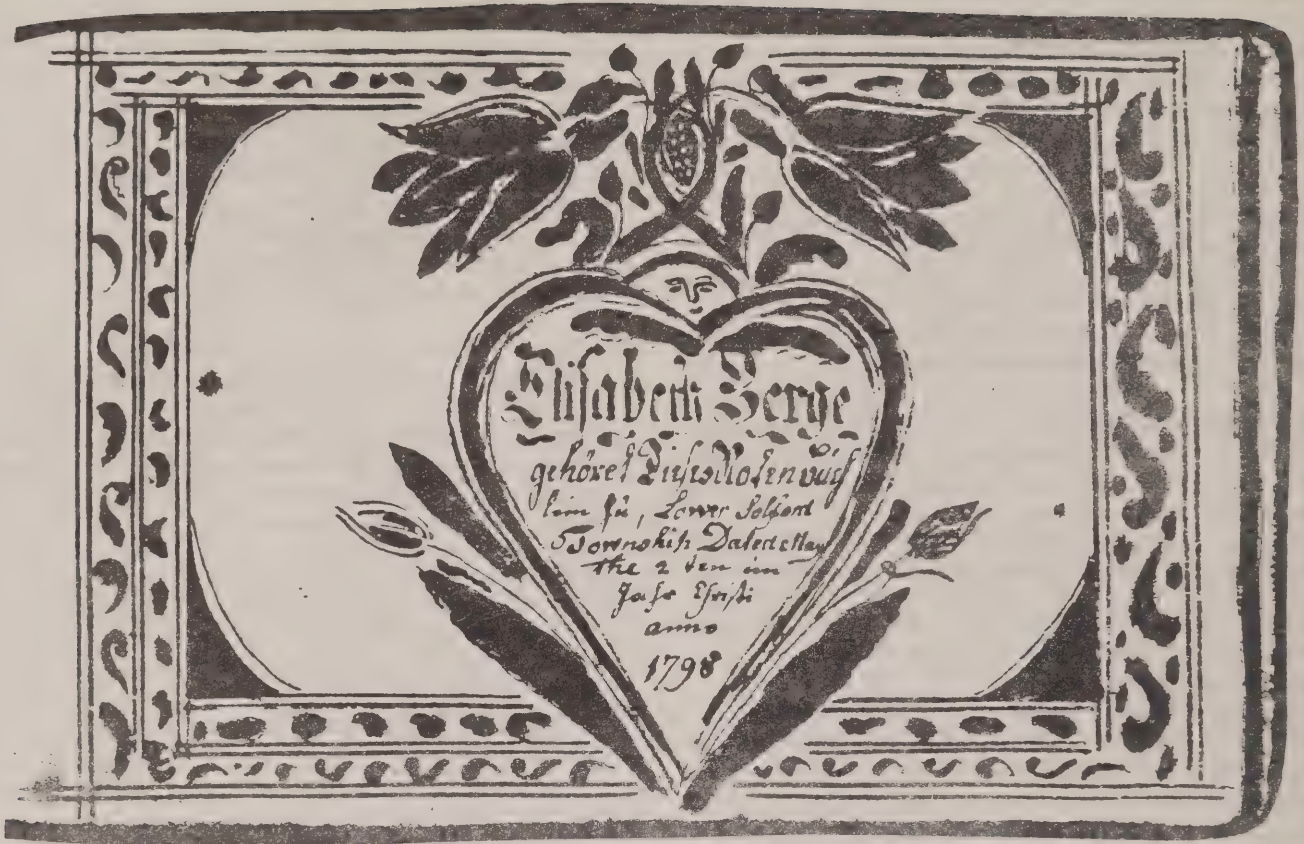
A new school is being built on the back part of Jacob Byler's farm to take some of the overflow from Miller's School. It will be located so that most of the children can walk. Some children had over four miles to Miller's.

MORE SENIOR MEMBERS

Apple Creek, Ohio–Sam Y. Hershberger district
Feb. 5, 1887 – Mrs. Joni Miller, Apple Creek R2
Aug. 6, 1888 – Mrs. Em. D. Yoder, Dalton R2
June 7, 1891 – Andy N. Miller, Apple Creek R2
Sept. 10, 1893 – Elam Swartzentruber, Millersburg Star Route

CHANGE OF TELEPHONE NUMBER

Milroy, Indiana
Old: 317–629–8240; New: 317–629–2150



Elisabeth Berge
gehöret Dieſes Notenbüch
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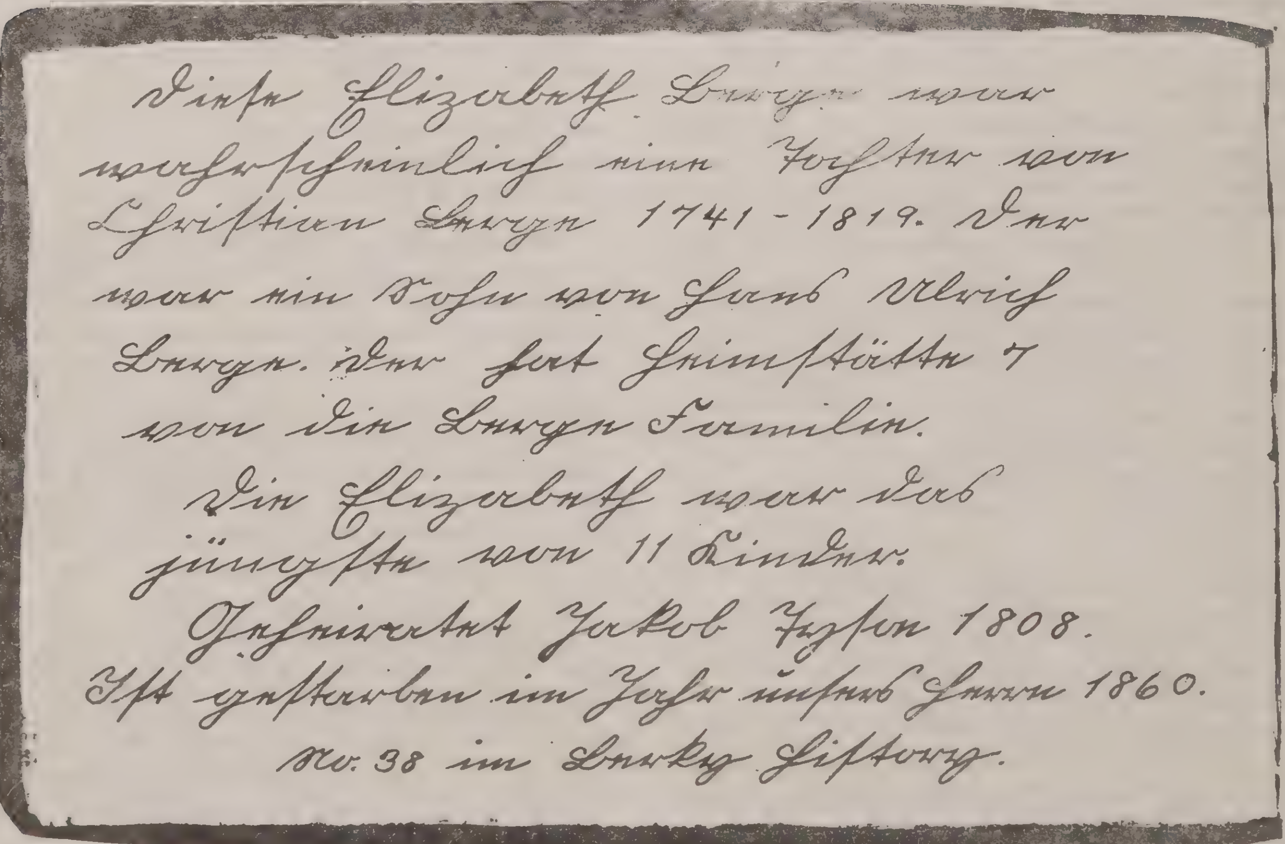


Dieſe Elizabeth Berge war
wahrſcheinlich eine Tochter von
Chriſtian Berge 1741-1819. Der
war ein Sohn von Hans Ulrich
Berge. der hat Heimſtätte 7
von die Berge Familie.

Die Elizabeth war das
jüngſte von 11 Kinder.

Geheiratet Jakob Fiſher 1808.
Iſt geſtorben im Jahr unſers Herrn 1860.
No. 38 im Berky Hiſtory.

The Hour Glass

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE JOHANNES OR HANS AND ANNA LANTZ FAMILY

By Amos L. Fisher

Continued from last month

The second child of Henry and Sarah (Hertzler) Lantz of Family No. (88) was (107) Henry Lantz (88), born in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, died Aug. 1, 1881 in Lancaster County. He married to Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) (King), born Feb. 16, 1806, died May 19, 1864, daughter of Christian and Anna (Blank) Stoltzfus. Elizabeth had married her first husband, John King, from which were born four children–namely, Susie King, married to John Kauffman of Lancaster County; Christian King, married to Mary Stoltzfus; they moved from Lancaster County to Union County where he was ordained minister, and around 1880 they moved back to Lancaster County where he was later ordained bishop; Catharine King, married to Jacob Beiler; and Nancy King, married to Jacob Stoltzfus.

After Henry Lantz was married to Elizabeth King (this was his first marriage), they moved to the Millcreek section of Lancaster County where he was ordained minister in 1843. To them were born three children–namely, (108) Benjamin Lantz (107), born March 8, 1838, died Sept. 21, 1912, married to Susanna Lapp, born March 31, 1839, died Nov. 27, 1904, a daughter of Jonathan and Susan (Fisher) Lapp; he was ordained minister in 1873; they had four children–namely, Jonathan Lantz, married to Lydia Stoltzfus, they lived on the home farm where Isaac Lantz now lives; Elizabeth Lantz, married to Christian Blank of near New Holland; Susannah Lantz, married to Stephen F. Stoltzfus, ordained minister, they with most of their family, settled in St. Mary's County, Maryland; and Benjamin Lantz, married to Mary B. Lapp, daughter of John and Fannie (Blank) Lapp, they were the parents of the late Deacon Benjamin Lantz of Millcreek section.

(109) Rebecca Lantz (107), born Nov. 11, 1839, died April 24, 1817, married to Michael K. Lapp, born Oct. 24, 1830, son of Jonathan and Susan (Fisher) Lapp, they at one time had the farm along Route 340 east of Bird-in-Hand which is now occupied by Elam Zooks. Later they lived where Eli R. Kings now live; they had six children–namely, (110) Elizabeth Lapp (109), died single in old age; (111) Henry Lapp (109), born in August of 1862, died single in 1904, he was a carpenter and cabinet maker; (112) Sarah Lapp (109), born Jan. 19, 1865, died April 16, 1902, married to Levi K. Smoker, the parents of Daniel K. Smoker; (113) Daniel Lapp (109) (better known as "der Rote Dannie"), born in 1869, died in 1931, married to Leah K. Smoker, family mostly Mennonite; (114) Fannie Lapp (109), born in 1870, died in 1921, married to Jacob Y. Beiler of Weavertown, parents of Joshua Beiler the Budget scribe, Bishop Amos L. Beiler of Georgetown, and Katie Beiler wife of Noah Eicher of Indiana; (115) Rebecca Lapp (109), born in 1873, died in 1905, married to Samuel P. Smoker.

(115) Elizabeth Lantz (107), born March 7, 1841, died Nov. 7, 1919, married to Isaac Lapp, born Nov. 10, 1840, died April 24, 1911, son of Christian and Lydia (Schanbeck) Lapp. They lived in the Millwood section two years then moved to the farm one mile north of Intercourse where his great-grandson, Deacon Amos Lapp, now lives. Isaac was ordained deacon in 1878, his son, Henry, minister in 1903 and bishop in 1917, and his son, Christian Lapp was ordained minister in 1902.

The second child of Jacob and Magdalena Lantz was (117) John Lantz (87), born June 22, 1780 in Lancaster County, died in Mifflin County, married to Elizabeth Hooley, daughter of Preacher John and Catherine (Blank) Hooley. They had two children when he died. Elizabeth then remarried to Solomon King; children were (118) Mary Lantz (117), born July 12, 1804, died May 9, 1885, married to Joseph Byler, minister, born May 6, 1801, died July 18, 1883, son of Hans Byler of Belleville. There were twelve children born to this union–namely, (119) Elizabeth Byler (118), married to Daniel Yoder; (120) Leah Byler (118), married to Jacob Hostetler; (121) John Byler (118), married to Elizabeth Hertzler; (122) Joseph Beiler (118), married to Magdalena Lantz, daughter of Christian and Leah (Zook) Lantz (see latter part of this issue). They lived in Lancaster County and changed the spelling of his name to Beiler. To them were born one child, Menno Beiler, married to Nancy Beiler. There is one daughter still living, Malinda Beiler, widow of Bishop Jacob Lapp. Magdalena died at thirty one years of age. Joseph Beiler then remarried to Nancy (Stoltzfus) Blank, widow of Stephen Blank who was killed on the Pennsylvania Railroad (see elsewhere in this article). To them were born two children, Mary, wife of Jacob Riehl, and Bishop John Beiler of Groffdale, the parents of Preacher Elam Beiler of Strasburg. (123) Benjamin Byler (118), married to Rebecca Peachey. One of their children, Nancy Byler, married to David Y. Renno, who were the parents of the late Bishop John Renno of Mifflin County. (124) Solomon Byler (118), married first to Fannie, second to Nancy Kauffman. They lived in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania. (125) Jonathan Byler (118), born in 1836, married to Sarah Zook; (126) Eli Byler (118), married to Rachel Headings; (127) Mary Byler (118), born in 1845, married to David S. Blank, son of Jacob Blank of Lancaster County. They were the grandparents of Deacon Joseph Blank. (128) Samuel Byler (118), born in 1848, married his first wife, Leah Kanagy, daughter of John H. Kanagy, second to Sarah Yoder, widow of Siever Yoder, third to Saloma

Beiler. Their surviving child, Rachel Byler, married to Jonas Stoltzfus who lived near Morgantown, then moved to Dover, Delaware, from there to Oakland, Maryland. His fourth wife was Lydia (Hertzler) Kauffman, widow of David Kauffman. Samuel and his fourth wife both died of flu pneumonia March 6, 1920, and are buried in one grave near Allensville, Pennsylvania.

(129) Magdalena Lantz (117), married to Isaac Yoder, son of Christian and Sarah (Hertzler) Yoder (Christian was better known as "Butcher" Crist Yoder). To them were born three children—namely, (130) Elizabeth Yoder (129), married to Yost Hostetler, son of Joseph and Barbara (Yoder) Hostetler. Their children are Mattie Hostetler, married to David H. Byler who moved to Lawrence County; Barbara Hostetler, unmarried; Isaac Y. Hostetler, married to Fannie Zook, they were the parents of Preacher Christian Hostetler of Path Valley in Franklin County, Pennsylvania; Katie Hostetler, married to Moses K. Byler of Lawrence County; Joseph Hostetler, married to Lydia Zook, Lawrence County; Jacob Hostetler, married to Mary Byler, Lawrence County; Daniel Y. Hostetler, married to Lydia Byler of Belleville, Pennsylvania.

(131) Sarah Hostetler (129), born in 1845, married to Eli S. King, deacon, son of Samuel B. and Fannie (Zook) King, the grandparents of Preacher Daniel King of Belleville; (132) Joseph Yoder (129), married to Franey Yoder, daughter of Michael and Barbara (Hoffman) Yoder, their children lived around Reedsville and Lawrence County, Pennsylvania.

The next child of Jacob and Magdalena (Kurtz) Lantz was (133) Magdalena Lantz (87), born Jan. 17, 1783 in Lancaster County. She married first to Daniel Zook, born Jan. 7, 1779, a son of Hans and Magdalena (Fisher) Zook or better known as "Der Dick Hans Zook." Magdalena Lantz married her second husband, Abraham Kurtz. This Abraham Kurtz may have been the son of Abraham Kurtz who was married to a Fisher lady. They at one time lived in Juniata County and built a house which is now occupied by one of the sons of Tobias Petersheim. There is a large offspring of this family in Wayne County, Ohio, Indiana, and a few in Mifflin County.

(134) Jacob Lantz (87), born Nov. 14, 1785, nothing is known of him at this writing.

(135) Stephen Lantz (87), born in Lancaster County Oct. 20, 1787. His wife's name was Nancy, and they had eleven children. In about 1822 they moved to Wayne County, Ohio, and a few years later he was accidently killed near Perrysburg. The children were Jacob Lantz, married to Mary Greiser; John; Elizabeth, married to a King, second to a Troyer; Mary, Lydia, Joseph, Nancy, Rebecca, Jonathan, Levi, and Christian born in 1834.

(135) Veronica Lantz (87), born in Lancaster County Dec. 20, 1787, died Dec. 27, 1859, married to John Blank, born Sept. 24, 1784, died May 24, 1848, a son of Bishop John Blank of Spring Garden. He was ordained minister of the Amish Church of that place. There is a large offspring of this family in Lancaster County, some of which appeared in a previous issue of The Diary, but will mention a few of the children: Lydia Blank, born in 1811, married to John Neuhauser, son of Christian and Magdalena (Zwalder) Neuhauser (see October 1972 issue of The Diary). Samuel Blank, married to Veronica (Fannie) Umble, daughter of John and Mary (Kurtz) Umble, he married second to Lovina Massey; Jacob Blank, born in 1816, married to Maria Stoltzfus, daughter of David and Anna (Fisher) Stoltzfus; John Blank, died at four years of age; Christian Blank, married to Sarah Kurtz, daughter of Christian and Catharine (King) Kurtz; Mattie Blank, married to John Smucker, son of David and Mary (Lapp) Smucker; Stephen Blank, born in 1826, married to Nancy Stoltzfus, got killed on the Pennsylvania Railroad on January 18, 1857.

(136) Samuel Lantz (87), born Feb. 20, 1790 in Lancaster County, married to Veronica, maiden name unknown, at this writing nothing is known of this family.

(137) Anna Lantz) (87), born Oct. 10, 1792 in Lancaster County, married to Joseph Hostetler, born in 1796 in Berks County, son of Michael and Mary (Gerber) Hostetler, died in Mifflin County May 2, 1880. Joseph had married his first wife, Fanny Hertzler. Anna Lantz was his second wife, and his third wife was Barbara Yoder, born in Centre County, the daughter of Yost Yoder. Joseph Hostetler had nine children but it appears that the children may have been from his first and third marriage.

(138) David Lantz (87), another son of Jacob Lantz, was born in Lancaster County May 17, 1795, married to Fannie Christner, born Oct. 12, 1816 in Holmes County, Ohio, daughter of Christian Christner, born in Switzerland Jan. 1, 1775, his wife's name was Barbara. The Christner family first settled in Brothers Valley in Somerset County, later moved to Holmes County, Ohio and still later to Indiana. To David and Fannie Lantz were born two children—namely, Philip and Mattie Lantz. (139) Philip Lantz (138), born Aug. 22, 1857 in Holmes County, Ohio, married to Barbara Schrock, born in 1867, died in 1958 at ninety one years of age, a daughter of Joseph and Fannie (Kauffman) Schrock. To them were born six children, to mention a few are (140) Clara Lantz (139), married to Noah Brandenberger, Middlebury, Indiana; (141) Edward Lantz (139), married to Lizzie Ann Yoder, Topeka, Indiana. They had seven children, one daughter married to Jacob Stoltzfus, of Lancaster County, son of Ammon and the late Katie (Allgyer) Stoltzfus of Bird-in-Hand, Pennsylvania.

(142) Earl Lantz (139), married to Luella Yoder of Topeka, Indiana. His son, Kenneth Lantz, is married to Esther Miller, and is a well known taxi driver of Topeka who accasionally makes trips to Eastern Pennsylvania.

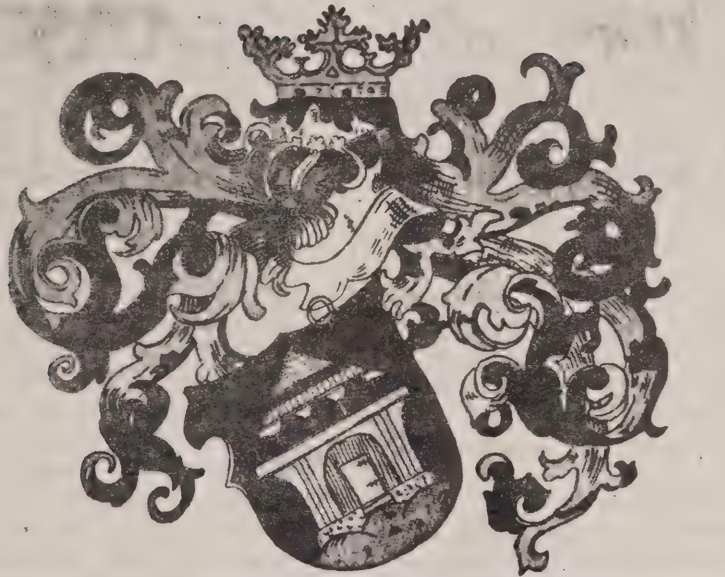
(143) Mattie Lantz (138), born in 1860, married to Simon Miller, son of Levi and Anna Miller.

The youngest son of Jacob Lantz was (144) Christian Lantz (87), born June 7, 1799 in Mifflin County, died in 1824.

To be continued

FAMILY NAMES

SPEICHER SPICHER SPYKER



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"Speicher" COAT-OF-ARMS represents a small house (STOECKLI—attic apartment), which may also serve as a storage for fruit and dried meat. The name Spycher has existed in the canton of Berne, Switzerland, since 1354, and Spicher existed in the canton of Fribourg since 1445; Spycher, Spicher and Speicher families are settled in towns of Koniz; Gerzensee; Wichtrach; and Berne, Switzerland.

John P. and Ulrich Speicher emigrated from Switzerland to America. John came on the ship St. Andrew; took oath of allegiance on September 14, 1737.

> Quoted from Master's Log — "Ulrich imported (sailed) in the ship Charming Nancy of London, Chas. Stedman, Master from Rotterdam, but last from Plymouth, did this day October 8, 1737, take and subscribe the oath to the government." (When Ulrich became a citizen.)

From "A History of the SPEICHER, SPICHER, SPYKER Family," compiled by Paul I. Speicher, Historian, West Lawn, Pennsylvania, 1961

THE LEGEND OF NANCY ZOOK

In 1833, more than a century and a quarter ago, in the vicinity of Oakland Mills, Juniata County, Pennsylvania, a little girl was born. Several stories regarding the birth of this child are told:

1. She was left on the doorstep of the people who then raised her. At the time she was dressed in fine clothing and raised by the people who found her as their own daughter.

2. A young woman passed a certain farm house carrying a small baby. She asked permission to leave the child until she came back. She never returned so the child was raised by these people as their own.

3. The third version is slightly different. Jacob and Katie Zook of Juniata County, Pennsylvania were visiting at a home where a small baby had recently been found on the doorstep. Barbara, daughter of the Zook's, became so attached to the little baby that she begged her parents to take the baby along home. With the consent of the family who found the baby, the Zook's took the baby home, adopted her and named her Nancy. Barbara and Nancy grew up as sisters, and Jacob and Katie Zook were the only parents that Nancy ever knew. Many of the descendants of Nancy believe that this to be the most plausible version of the three stories here mentioned. Nancy always believed that her name was McFarland—Frances Agnes McFarland. While a growing girl a well dressed man came to see her and asked her if she was happy and if the people treated her well. Nancy's answer to both questions was "yes." Years later two of her uncles came to see her but were not permitted to interview Nancy. They returned to see Nancy when she was 18 but by that time she had already been married.

About four years before the birth of Nancy, in the home of Abraham and Susan Spicher of Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, a son was born. He was named Michael. He grew to stalwart manhood and when 21 years of age was married to Nancy Zook. The young couple moved several hundred miles westward to Lawrence County, Pennsylvania about three miles from New Castle. Michael had previously walked these 200 miles across the mountains to find a home for his bride. They lived together for almost fifty years and became the parents of 10 children.

The Speicher Family

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Waterlander Congregation worshipped as early as 1604, and was used until 1812. Shortly afterwards it was razed, then the organ and pulpit were moved to Leeuward where they still exist. Another meetinghouse in Holland was the Kleine Spyker which was taken over by the Frisian Mennonites in 1604. This clause does not necessarily refer to a family name, rather it helps to clarify the origin of the name and how it was used.

From the coat of arms we learn that Speicher is an old name dating back to 1445. This does not suggest that the family was of noble rank or of prominent lines bur rather that they were common people of the land. Since the coat of arms refers to a house to store fruit and meat we suppose they were farmers.

The Speicher's in America

To say that the Speicher's are scarcely found in Anabaptist records does not say that they were not Mennonites in Europe. We suspect that our Speicher family was not drawn to the Mennonites until of late generations in Europe. We must remember that all of our forefathers came from Catholic, Jewish, Lutheran, Zwingli, and other faiths, perhaps some were completely gentile. Some have found the Anabaptist faith early, some were drawn to the Mennonites later, some chose this their adopted faith during the migrating period, and some in America. We do, however, have one reference in "Lists of Swiss Emigrants," by Faust and Brumbaugh, to indicate that they were associates to the Amish Church in Switzerland, 1750 January: Catherine Zaugg married Franz Spycher of Gerzensee, both emigrated to Carolina with Samuel Augspurger, whose servant Spycher had been. Frantz Spycher died in Purisburg, South Carolina in 1734, and his wife in the same place in 1736. They left a little daughter, Anna Spycher, who in 1739 was still living in the home of a captain Holtzendorf in Purisburg. The relatives of Catherine Zaugg ask that her property here be delivered to them. The petition is not granted because the statement of Augsburger is not officially certified and the space of thirty years has not yet elapsed since the emigration to Carolina. Gerzensee is in the district of Seftigen, Switzerland.

The Strassburger–Hinke German Pioneer lists a total of two Spigher–Sperker families. Both of these families are listed in the Speicher Family History Book.

The Ulrich Speicher Family

Ulrich Speicher came to America in 1737 aboard the ship "Charming Nancy." Since there is only one female listed we believe his wife's name was Marie. Perhaps they settled in the Irish Valley early the next year along with most of their shipmates of like faith. The Speicher family association suggests that they were very poor and became a bound servant to pay for the family passage. Not until 1752 did they receive a grant to a tract of 193½ acres of land. This was a very rolling piece of land mostly on the north side of Scull Hill, three miles east of Bernville, Pennsylvania. It is believed that they lived the rest of their life there. We have no date of their death available, and since Ulrich died intestate (without will(we must rely on other records. Ulrich transferred his property to his son Michael in 1762 and according to the deed he was a widower then because his wife's name is not mentioned in the deed. Ulrich is not found among 1767 tax returns so that a time between these two dates was the time of his death. They are most likely buried in a homestead burial plot. We have on record only one other member of the Ulrich Speicher family—namely, Peter, who is mentioned in the Michael Speicher will.

Apparently there are more sons of Ulrich Speicher than are listed in the Speicher Family Association History. A Christian Speicher is listed in the Berks County militia records of 1783. He fits into the family well agewise. A Samuel Speicher is listed in Bedford County, Pennsylvania census records who is placed among the Amish group of the Conamaugh. Perhaps this Samuel is progeny to our church through maternal lines.

The Michael Speicher family is more complete. In his will he mentions all of his children but fails to mention his wife, who probably preceded him in death. Perhaps he names his children by age respectively, except Christian who was to have the home farm, Barbara, Jacob, Anna, Michael, John Peter, and Magdeline. Stephan Kauffman and Christian Stutzman were witnesses to the will. Some limited information can be added to this family. 1. Barbara, has no marriage record. 2. Jacob was married but his wife's name is unknown as he does not mention his wife in his will, but possibly to a daughter of Joseph Renno. He died in 1823 and names John Renno as a brother-in-law. 3. Anna, no information. 4. Michael, no information. 5. John Peter, 1773–1826, married a Miller, first name unknown. They moved to Juniata County from Berks County, Pennsylvania early in the 1800's. 6. Magdeline, unmarried. 7. Christian, lived on the old homestead where he reared a family. His wife's name is unknown. Children are: 70. John, married Catharine Bellman; 71. Catherine, married Jonas Bellman; 72. Sarah, married Stephan Kauffman. They followed the migration to Juniata County but returned to Berks County, Pennsylvania again after a few years. 73. Anna, married to Jonas Kreitz. 74. Jacob, marriage unknown. No. 7. Christian Speicher, died around 1850, was the last of the Speicher's to be buried in the homestead cemetery. In 1870 the homestead was transferred to Emanuel Schlappig.

No. 2. Jacob Speicher had two children: 20. Susanna, married to John Miller: 21. Jacob, married to Leah Stoltzfus (see page 90 of the 1971 volume of The Diary, family No. 15). This Jacob Speicher moved to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania when single to live with his maternal grandfather. He was widely known for his deeds as an ever ready hand to help those in need. He was nominated executor to settle the estate of his brother-in-law, John Petersheim, and his name appears on Christian Petersheim's settlement, as well as others.

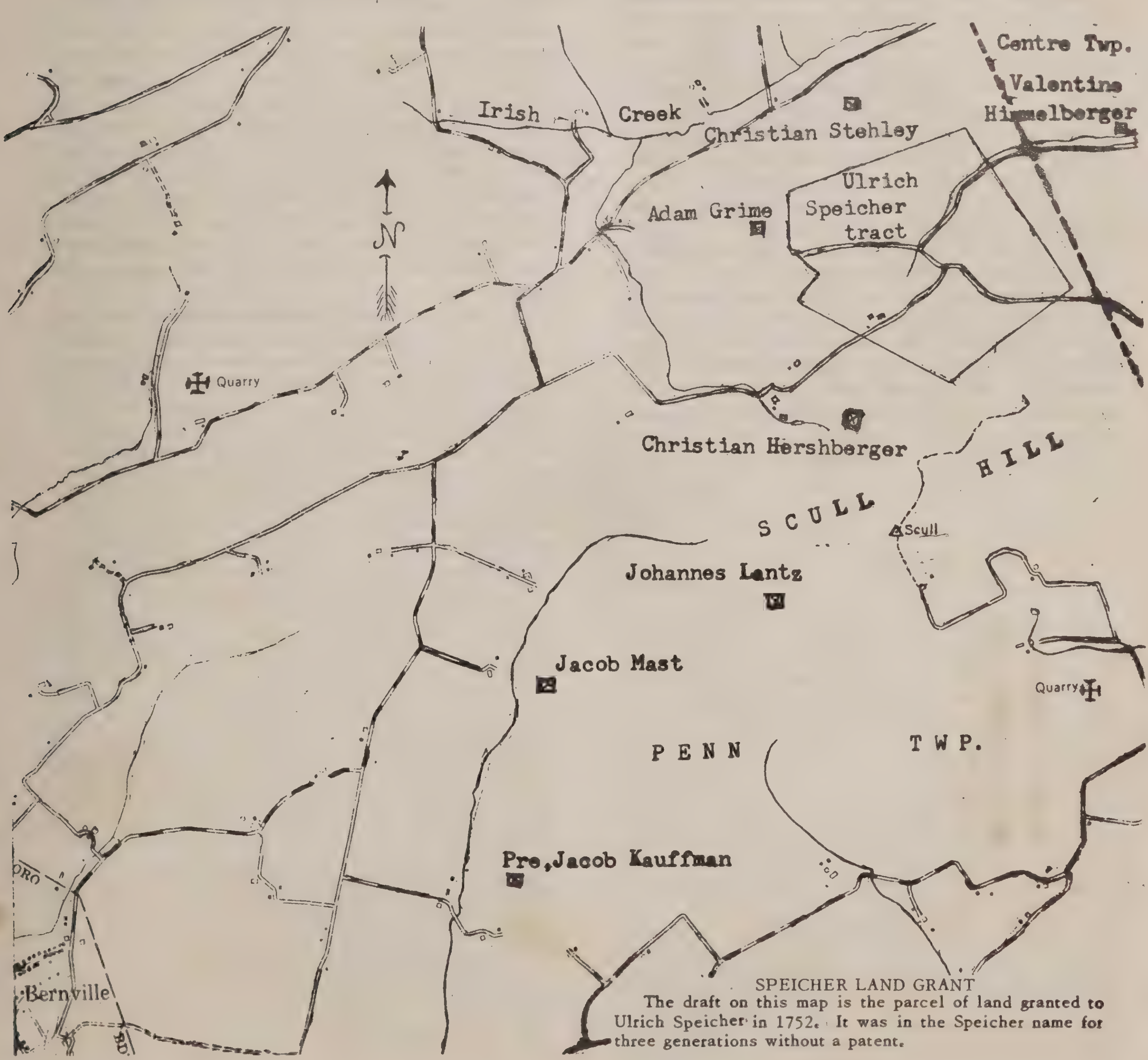
No. 5. John Peter Speicher moved to Juniata County, Pennsylvania. Perhaps this union heads more present day Amish Speicher's than any other.

The Peter Spyker Family

Peter Spyker arrived at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania aboard the ship St. Andrews in 1737 accompanied by his parents, John and Julian Spyker. Others of this family were John Jr. and Benjamin. This family settled at once in now western Berks County in the Tulpehocken region. Of this family, Peter and Benjamin were soon active in civil affairs. Benjamin was closely associated with Conrad Weiser in defence of the Tulpehocken section during the French and Indian War. He had a certain post over Fort Northkill, during this period to help register and control Indian massacres. He represented Berks County in the provincial conference in 1776, and served at several posts during the Revolutionary War. Later he was justice of the peace, his name appears on many wills and deeds of our ancestors in the Fatherland.

Revolutionary War delinquent records list Michael Speicher to pay a 3 lb. and 15 shillings fine in 1783 and was absent four muster days and two field days in 1785. Christian Speicher has the same record. This Christian was very likely another son of Ulrich as the children of Michael were too young to be enlisted.

Joseph F. Beiler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SPEICHER LAND GRANT
The draft on this map is the parcel of land granted to Ulrich Speicher in 1752. It was in the Speicher name for three generations without a patent.

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

The Speicher Family

The profile of this family is much the same as many others in our fatherland, especially those in our minority group, yet every family is different. Like many others in our fatherland the immigrant Speicher's settled in Berks County, Pennsylvania. Among them were Ulrich Speicher who was among our 1737 shiplist that settled in the Irish Creek Valley to establish the first organized Amish Church in America. Another one, Peter Spyker, came to America the same year and settled in the Tulpehocken regions, also now in Berks County, Pennsylvania. Both of these families were automatically granted citizenship in this new English colony upon taking an oath of allegiance to the English government after arriving at Philadelphia. From these two families sprang a vast clan of American citizens. Next to the Kauffman's, the Speicher's, or Spyker's, rank highest of any of our fatherland family names in the population of Berks County, Pennsylvania today. A recent count from telephone directories gives us thirty five Speicher families in northwestern Berks County including the city of Reading. Many farms in the Bernville–Robsonia area are occupied by Spyker's today and some of them have consistantly been owned by members of the family for generations. In spite of these complex family placements only a few branches have remained in the Old Order field.

Today Speicher families of our church are rarely found west of the Appalachians. The three major western directories do not list any, although the Lancaster County directory lists eight families. The Raber's minister list gives us two ordained Speichers, both in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, and this county may well hold most of our Speicher's today, and most of these will be found in the Nebraska districts.

In 1961 the Speicher Family Association published a family history. At the bottom of the Coat-of-Arms page we find that the Speicher family characteristics are listed as Christian, Sympathetic, Courageous, Resourseful, and Industrious. This commentary can well be extended to members of this family we know today. To say that the Speicher's are a minority group or that there are few compared to other names in our congregation does not once say that they are weak in our church composition. They have shared notable talents that have added strength to the structure of our body wherever they were for generations. Here again in the Mennonite Church and affiliations will claim more of our Speicher's than the Old Order body from which they spring. The Mennonite Encyclopedia by-passes the family name in America completely. However, the Mennonite Cyclopedic Dictionary, by Daniel Kauffman, does place this family name in communities in Indiana, Michigan, and several other states besides Pennsylvania. Although these are now listed as Mennonites, we believe they are, in large, descendants of our Speicher's who moved to Juniata County, Pennsylvania in the third generation, some of whom have pushed across the Alleghanies to pioneer the open west in the mid-nineteenth century. Like many other descendants of our fatherland that have made this movement, their descendants have been elevated to the Mennonite field during the last century.

So far we have concentrated on paternal lines, the exact extent of maternal lines is not known to us at this time. However, we know that a John Miller of Berks County, Pennsylvania, married to a Susanna Speicher of the fourth generation, and moved to Juniata County, Pennsylvania in the early 1800's. We will not be surprised to find that a vast group of Miller families of the western congregations will tie to this family head today. The will of Jacob Speicher of the third generation clearly states that he nominates his brother-in-law, John Renno, as an executor of his estate. Exactly how the Speicher's tie in with this Renno we do not know today, nor do we know to what extent this John Renno gives progeny to our church. A study of these maternal lines would be of great interest. Perhaps an article will follow on these lines by our genealogists.

The Speicher's in Europe

(See Coat of Arms)

A surface study of the coat of arms will at once inform us of the origin of the Speicher name. In spite of the fact that it was a popular name in our Anabaptist regions of the Canton of Bern, none of our Anabaptist history books mention the name in Switzerland, including the Mennonitisches Lexicon. However, the Mennonite Encyclopedia, Vol. IV, page 595, lists the name in Holland as Spyker. It has a similarity to our name Speicher per coat of arms although it was there referred to as a warehouse, which was later adapted to the use of a Dutch Meetinghouse. In Amsterdam, on the Singel Canal, was the Groote Spyker Meetinghouse, where the

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FRANKLIN CO., PA. TOT DROWNED IN STREAM

Jacob Jr., 21-month-old son of Jacob E. and Sally (Esh) Flaud, Newburg R1, drowned in a farm stream Friday, September 26th. The father had gone to a neighboring farm and other members of the family thought the boy had gone with him. When the father returned at 1 p.m. they realized the boy was missing and they began searching. State Police and firemen joined in the search and the boy was found at 3 p.m. in a stream which had become swollen from the recent rains. (See obituary)

ANABEL, MO. TRUCK-WAGON ACCIDENT

Chris L. and Amanda (Yoder) Miller were injured when their wagon was struck by a semi truck and trailer, September 8th on U.S. Highway 36, while on their way to Macon. Amanda received a cut on top of her head requiring 25 stitches, a bruised finger where skin grafting was done, and a broken small bone in her right leg below the knee. Chris only received bumps and bruises. Their wagon was in splinters and one horse killed. The driver apparently was in a daze and didn't see them in time to avoid hitting them, but swerved enough to only catch the rear wheel on the left. The driver had chest injuries.

SOMERSET CO., PA. FIRE SCARE

Noah Summys had a fire scare while canning vegetable soup in their basement. It being late they decided to set the alarm and go to bed. About five minutes before the alarm sounded they heard a bang. Thinking a jar may have broken Noah went to the cellar door to check only to find it filled with smoke. He quickly gathered the family out and sent the hired hand for help. With the quick response of the fire trucks they were able to get the fire out with only minor damage except for smoke which took a lot of cleaning.

PA. MAN OVERCOME BY GAS FUMES

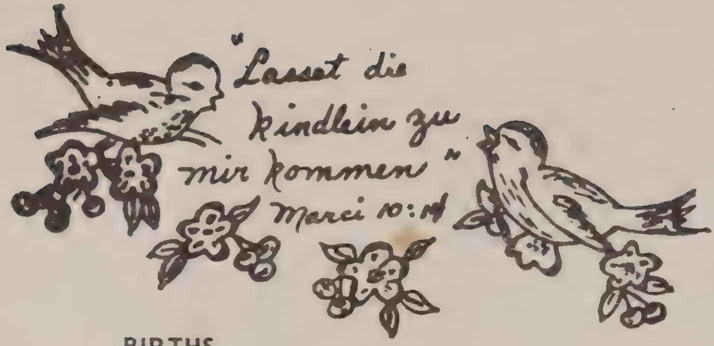
Omar H., 42, son of John K. and Lizzie E. Lapp, New Holland R1, died Sept. 14th at 10:30 a.m. after being in a coma four weeks. On the morning of Aug. 17th he did not answer when called and they found him in a coma, effects from a faulty gas refrigerator which took the oxygen out of his small room. He lived with his parents but had a small house of his own, beside theirs, where he slept. Omar had failing eyesight since boyhood but could still do chores around the home, and could do a lot for his parents. He also made baskets and other small items. He was in the hospital almost three weeks and cared for at home ten days. He remained in a coma and spoke only a few words in that time. (See obituary)

ARTHUR, ILL. FARM ACCIDENT

Roger, age 13, son of Edwin Herschbergers, was injured Sept. 27th while making hay at their farm. He was driving a team to a rack wagon and had just unloaded a load of bales when his team were scared and became unruly and ran against a gate post taking the rack off the running gears. He was thrown off the cart and either the cart or the wagon went over his head and part of his body. He was taken to the St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur with a cut in the back of his head which required 13 stitches. He also had his lower jaw bruised and broken so that he could not talk, but was conscious and could write on paper. He will need surgery but had none yet by Sunday, the 28th, because of so much swelling.

BLAIR, WIS. ACCIDENT

Danny, age 6, son of Moses S. and Elizabeth Miller, was injured when he fell from a grain wagon in the barn, down on the cement on September 26th. He was unconscious for a short time. He was taken to the Osseo Hospital where xrays showed a skull fracture. He is at home again, doing fine.


"Lasset die kindlein zu mir kommen"
Marci 10:14

BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

ALLGYER, Elam (Anna Beiler) Kinzers R1 a son **BENUEL**, September 13

BEILER, Abner S. (Sarah L. Beiler) 370 Newport Rd. Ronks R1, a daughter **RUTH S.**, September 10

BEILER, the late Christ (Barbara Beiler) New Holland R3, a daughter **MALINDA**, September 2

BEILER, Melvin K. (Fannie Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1 a daughter **ANNE MARIE**, September 26

BLANK, Aquilla K. (Leah Z. Glick) Gap R1 a son **MENNO G.**, September 5

BLANK, Jonas (Sara Stoltzfus) Paradise R1 a son, September 19

ESCH, Samuel (Rebecca King) Strasburg R1, a son **IVAN K.**, September 22

ESH, Jacob K. (Eva R. Miller) Quarryville R1 a daughter **MALINDA K.**, September 18

ESH, Levi R. (Rebecca Miller) Paradise R1 a son **STEVEN, M.**, September 23

ESH, Moses H. (Elizabeth S. Lapp) Paradise R1 a daughter **SADIE L.**, September 5

ESH, Reuben F. (Mary S. King) Gordonville R1 a daughter **BECKY ANN**, September 7

FISHER, John S. (Mary L. Lapp) Strasburg R1 a daughter, September 24

HERSCHBERGER, William (Drucilla Kinsinger) Gordonville R1, a son **ANDREW K.**, September 23

KING, Benuel H. (Sylvia K. Fisher) Lancaster R4 a daughter **REBECCA F.**, September 6

KING, Christ Z. (Fannie B. Fisher) 384 Newport Rd., Ronks R1, a daughter **LYDIA F.**, September 3

KING, Daniel K. (Susie Esh) Paradise R1 a daughter **FANNIE E.**, September 4

KING, Elam E. (Sadie King) Gordonville R1 a son **CHESTER K.**, September 1

KING, Emanuel B. (Sarah Zook) Kirkwood R1 a son **REUBEN Z.**, September 16

KING, John E. (Annie L. Beiler) Oxford R1 a daughter **LYDIA**, September 29

KING, John S. (Anna Stoltzfus) Gap R1 a daughter **LAVINA FERN**, September 27

LANTZ, Amos B. (Katie D. Stoltzfus) Leola R1 a daughter **SYLVIA S.**, September 15

LAPP, John D. (Barbara M. Smucker) Ronks R1 a son **AARON J.**, September 6

LAPP, Moses K. (Katie Stoltzfus) 310 Groffdale Rd., Gordonville R1, a son **ELAM**, September 2

MILLER, Samuel S. Jr. (Ada L. Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1, a son **ELMER S.**, September 10

PEACHEY, Leon (Katie King) Ronks R1, a son **LEON JR.**, September 1

PETERSHEIM, Benuel (Rebecca Riehl) 817 Eshelman Mill Rd., Lancaster, twin sons **EPHRAIN & ELMER** September 2

PETERSHEIM, Stephen M. (Mary E. Riehl) Narvon R2 a daughter **BARBARA ANN**, September 25

SMUCKER, Aaron (Susie Fisher) Strasburg R1 a daughter **EMMA F.**, September 21

SMUCKER, Abner (Sadie King) New Holland R3 a daughter **MALINDA K.**, September 1

STOLTZFUS, Abner (Mary Fisher) Quarryville R3 a daughter **RACHEL JANE**, September 20

STOLTZFUS, Ben F. (Annie K. Zook) 254 Mascot Rd., Ronks R1, a son **DANIEL**, September 11

STOLTZFUS, Benuel L. (Malinda Smucker) Honey Brook R1, a daughter **MARY S.**, September 30

STOLTZFUS, Emanuel L. (Fannie Z. King) a son **STEPHEN K.**, September 17

STOLTZFUS, Jacob (Rachel Stoltzfus) Leola R1 a son **STEPHEN**, September 19

STOLTZFUS, Jacob S. (Mary Ann Dienner) Gordonville R1, a daughter **KATIE D.**, September 10

STOLTZFUS, John D. (Sadie Fisher) Gordonville R1 a son **DANIEL**, September 26

STOLTZFUS, John F. (Sylvia Beiler) Paradise R1 a daughter **FANNIE B.**, September 1

STOLTZFUS, Melvin (Barbara S. Lapp) Kititz R2 a son **MELVIN**, September 8

STOLTZFUS, Samuel F. (Malinda Fisher) Christiana R1, a daughter **FANNIE F.**, September 29

STOLTZFUS, Vernon B. (Barbara Fisher) Honey Brook R2, a son **LEON**, September 14

SWAREY, Ezra (Leah Blank) Gap R1 a daughter **ELLA**, September 26

ZOOK, Christian B. (Sarah E. Fisher) Kinzers R1 a daughter **SUSIE S.**, September 19

ZOOK, John (Sadie Fisher) Gap R1 a son **LEON**, September 26

ZOOK, Joseph B. (Fannie Stoltzfus) Atglen R1 a daughter **SUSIE**, September 18

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DETWEILER, Raymond T. (Elsie Beachy Byler)
a son TOBIAS, September 30
MAST, Leroy J. (Irene Byler) Dover R5
a son FREEMON, September 8
MAST, Levi E. (Emma Beachy) Dover R2
a daughter CORA MAE, September 10
MILLER, Amos A. (Katie Mast) Dover R2
a son WAYNE, September 12
TROYER, Henry S. (Mary Byler) Hartley R1 Hartly
a daughter SYLVIA, September 26
TROYER, Melvin A. (Sadie Mast) Hartly R1
a daughter SUSAN, September 5

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Elam (Barbara Stoltzfus) Myerstown R2
a daughter MARTHA, August 12
FISHER, Elam (Lydia King) Myerstown R2
a son PAUL, September 2
LANTZ, Amos (Katie Lapp) Lebanon R1
a son ABNER, September 14
LAPP, Moses S. (Ruth Fisher) Myerstown R2
a STILLBORN DAUGHTER, September 4
YODER, Leroy (Annie Lapp) Lebanon R1
a daughter EDNA, September 2

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Louie (Lomie Peachey) Belleville
a daughter SUSAN, September 1

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Sam Jr. (Susie Troyer) Mifflintown R1
a son BENUEL, September 16
PETERSHEIM, Andy T. (Mary (anagy) Mifflintown R2
a son HARVEY, September 3
WEAVER, John A. (Annie Troyer) Mifflintown R2
a son ANDY, September 19

Cumberland & Franklin Co., Pennsylvania

FISHER, Joseph (Mary King) Newburg R1
a son DANIEL, September 20
KING, Amos (Malinda King) Shippensburg R1
a son ISAAC, September 30
LAPP, John E. (Susie Esh) Newburg R1
a son DAVID MATTHEW, September 7

Oakland, Maryland

YODER, Dan Lee (Irene Petersheim) Oakland
a daughter ELIZABETH KAY, September 1

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

SUMMY, Floyd (Katie Kinsinger) Salisbury R1
a son DAVID, September 3

Townville, Pennsylvania

BYLER, LaVern (Sylvia Weaver) Townville R1
a son BENJAMIN LEE, August 3

Conneautville, Pennsylvania

FISHER, Menno E. (Mary Z. Stoltzfus) Conneautville
R3, a daughter ESTHER MARIE, September 16

Geauga County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Levi J. (Saloma Byler) Middlefield
R3, twin daughters VIOLA & VERNA, September 21

Holmes County, Ohio

COBLENTZ, Atlee R. (Fannie Weaver) Dundee R2
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ERB, Henry L. (Esther Hershberger) Baltic R1
a daughter SARA MAE, September 27
HERSHBERGER, Levi A. (Erma Yoder) Sugar Creek
R1, a daughter ELMINA, September 28
HERSHBERGER, Mr. and Mrs. Mose V., Millersburg
R3, a son VERNON, September 9
HERSHBERGER, Rudy A. (Dena Troyer) Baltic
a son JOHN, September 24
KLINE, Dan E. (Mary Ann Mast) Millersburg R5
a daughter DEBRA, September 6
MAST, Ivan (Susie Yoder) Millersburg R4
a son ANDY, September 14
MAST, Sam E. (Sara Yoder) Fresno R3
a daughter, September 16
MILLER, Abe A. Jr. (Malinda Hershberger) Barrs Mills
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MILLER, Abe W. (Clara H. Miller) Millersburg R4
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a daughter ADA, September 4
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Star Route, a daughter LIZZIE, September 1
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Merle D., Millersburg R4
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MILLER, Olen O. (Alta Troyer) Barrs Mills
a daughter LAURA MAE, September 6
MILLER, Paul J. (Anna Miller) Millersburg R5
a daughter MATTIE, August 27
RABER, Andy E. (Anna Miller) Millersburg R3
a daughter LAURA, September 16
SCHLABACH, John L. (Esther Miller) Fredericksburg
R2, a son FERMAN, September 11
STUTZMAN, Levi H. (Betty Troyer) Millersburg R4
a daughter KAREN, September 3
TROYER, Atlee A. (Mary R. Miller) Mt. Hope
a daughter JOAN, September 2
TROYER, David M. (Laura Miller) Millersburg Star
Route, a daughter MARLENE, September 5
TROYER, William J. (Anna Raber) Millersburg R5
a daughter VERBA, September 1
YODER, Aden N. (Anna Yoder) Fresno R3
a daughter RUTH, September 24
YODER, Amos C. (Verna Yoder) Millersburg R3
a son ANDY, September 25
YODER, Andrew A. (Nettie Kurtz) Fredericksburg R2
a daughter LAURA
YODER, Henry C. (Anna Mast) Baltic R1
a daughter VERNA, September 26
YODER, Monroe M. (Mary Raber) Barrs Mills
a daughter ELSIE, September 9
YODER, Nelson E. (Anna Troyer) Millersburg Star
Route, a son ELI, August 29
YODER, Roman D. (Alma Troyer) Baltic
a daughter MARTHA, September 3

Wayne County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, David L. (Anna Miller) a son LEON, in September

HERSHBERGER, Eli E. (Emma Hershberger) Apple Creek R1, a son DANNIE, August 30

HERSHBERGER, Eli S. (Sarah Yoder) Fredericksburg R2, a son MARTIN, September 2

HERSHBERGER, Jacob J. D. (Naomi Hershberger) Dalton R1, a son DANNIE, August 31

HOCHSTETLER, Ray A. (Katie Detweiler) Fredericksburg R1, a daughter KATIE, August 22

MAST, Levi E. (Clara B. Weaver) Fredericksburg R2 a daughter ARIE, September 3

MILLER, Ben A. (Elizabeth Wengerd) Apple Creek R2 a daughter LYDIA, September 3

MILLER, Joe C. (Anna D. Yoder) Dalton R2 a daughter SUSIE, September 13

MILLER, Roman J. (Ada Mae Weaver) Dalton R2 a son ROY, September 1

SCHLABACH, John Daniel (Susan Yoder) Orrville R3 a son ATLEE, September 3

YODER, Andy A. (Mattie Troyer) Apple Creek R1 a daughter IDA, August 18

YODER, Dan Jr. (Mattie Troyer) Apple Creek R1 a daughter EDNA, September 16

Danville, Ohio

HOSTETLER, Tobe Y. (Mary Miller) Danville a son ANDREW, August 17

Ashland County, Ohio

MAST, Marvin A. (Ella Miller) a son, September 29

Mio, Michigan

CHUPP, Earl (Erma Troyer) a daughter MARY, September 1

EICHER, Joe (Esther Gingerich) a daughter KATHRYN, September 9

Centreville, Michigan

BORKHOLDER, Leroy H. (Clara Bontrager) Burr Oak R1, a son ABRAHAM, September 6

Branch County, Michigan

SCHWARTZ, Amos E. (Sarah Q. Schwartz) Quincy a daughter SARAH, September 6

SCHWARTZ, Amos N. (Annie K. Schwartz) Reading twin sons, JOHNNY & JAKIE, September 19

Allen County, Indiana

EICHER, David (Leah Graber) a daughter LORETTA, September 12

SCHMUCKER, Mervin (Delila Schmucker) a daughter MARILYN, September 20

LaGrange County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Glen D. (Wilma Hochstetler) Shipshewana R1, a son DEWAYNE, August 24

GLICK, Freeman (Nettie Lambright) Ligonier R3 a son JOHN F., September 6

HOCHSTETLER, Ervin Ray (Lillie Barkman) Shipshewana R1, a son FERMAN, September 13

HOCHSTEDLER, Harvey C. (Lizzie M. Bontrager) LaGrange R4, a son EZRA, August 26

KRAMER, Lester Ray (Freeda Mae Yoder) LaGrange R1, a son RALPH EDWIN, August 17

LENGACHER, William Jr. (Fannie Mae Eash) Shipshewana R2, a daughter CHRISTENA, Sept. 11

MAST, Levi Jay (Ruth E. Helmuth) Wawaka R1 a son NELSON LEE, September 7

MILLER, Daniel A. (Ida Bontrager) Topeka R1 a son JOE D., September 9

MILLER, David A. (Mary Kathryn Miller) Topeka R1 a son NELSON LEE, August 26

MILLER, Eli M. (LeAnna Lambright) Topeka R2 a daughter SUELLA, August 30

MILLER, Elvon Lee (Lou Ida Miller) Millersburg R1 a son KARL DEAN, September 8

MILLER, Harley Jay (Wilma Beachy) Goshen R1 a son DELBERT WAYNE, September 2

MILLER, Harley N. (Mary Petersheim) Topeka R2 a son MARTIN H., September 10

MILLER, Harley W. (Lizzie Mae Hochstedler) Wolcottville R2, a son FERMAN LEE, August 31

MILLER, Homer E. (Ruth Ann Mast) Topeka R2 a son LYLE DEAN, September 4

MILLER, Mervin Wayne (Irene E. Bontrager) Shipshewana R1, a son LONNIE RAY, September 4

MULLET, Herman E. (Elsie A. Yoder) LaGrange R.R. a daughter SHARON, August 25

SCHROCK, Ora L. (Mary Lambright) LaGrange R4 a daughter IDA MAE, September 13

WEAVER, Harry (Mary Kathryn Yoder) Topeka R2 a son DEVON RAY, August 30

YODER, Andrew Jr. (Roseanna Eash) LaGrange R4 a daughter RUTH ILENE, August 26

Elkhart County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Joe (Fannie Mae Lehman) Middlebury R3, a daughter RUTH ANN, September 1

BONTRAGER, Orva (Katie Schrock) Middlebury a son DENNIS, August 28

MILLER, Henry (Betty Miller) Goshen a daughter CAROL ANN, September 10

SCHMUCKER, Simon (Martha Yoder) Goshen a son PAUL, August 29

SCHWARTZ, Sam (Rosa Eash) Shipshewana R1 twin daughters WILMA & WANDA, September 10

YODER, Melvin (Susan Yoder) Middlebury R2 a son DAVID RAY, September 23

Milroy, Indiana

STUTZMAN, Junior E. (Mary Yoder) a daughter MARTHA, September 16

Guthrie, Kentucky

MILLER, Joni (Mary Schlabach) Guthrie a daughter SHARON IRENE, September 13

Ethridge, Tennessee

YODER, Enos A. (Mary M. Troyer) a daughter ANNA, September 27

Reno County, Kansas

BORNTRAGER, Ray A. (Sue Weaver) Yoder, Kansas a daughter SARA JEAN,

Anabel, Missouri
MILLER, Chrissie (Mattie Borntrager) Anabel,
a son IRA ADAM, September 29

Seymour, Missouri
HILTY, Sam S. (Lizzy) P. Schwartz)
a daughter LEAH, September 17

Audrain County, Missouri
BORNTREGER, George (Amanda Yoder) Clark
a son MENNO, September 6
GINGERICH, Samuel E. (Lizzie Bontrager) Clark
a daughter CLARA, September 24
MILLER, Clarence (Millie Petersheim) Clark
a son EZRA, September 6
MILLER, David J. (Millie Miller) Clark
a daughter SARAH, September 10

Pike County, Missouri
YODER, Levi U. (Miriam Mullet) Bowling Green R3
a son DAVID, August 22

Buchanan County, Iowa
MILLER, Bennie (Linda Yoder) Fairbank
a son ANDY, in September
MILLER, Dave (Elizabeth Yutzy) Hazleton
a daughter MARY, September 24
MILLER, Perry (Emma Yutzy) Hazleton
a daughter FRIEDA, September 10
YODER, Henry L. (Ruby Gingerich)
a son JERRY, September 2

Bloomfield, Iowa
KUHNS, Menno L. (Lizzie Schmucker)
a daughter LORETTA, in September

Cashton, Wisconsin
MILLER, Levi and Ida
a son ALLEN, August 31

Norwich, Ontario
HERTZLER, Amos (Rebecca Shetler) Mt. Elgin
a son JONAS, September 7

Milverton, Ontario
JANTZI, Joe L. and Saloma
a daughter MARGARET, September 6
KUEPFER, Peter (Lydia Jantzi)
a daughter PHOBE, September 2
KUEPFER, Reuben and Fannie, Milverton R1
a daughter KATIE, September 1

Grey County, Ontario
GINGERICH, Abe J. (Mattie Miller) Chesley R4
a daughter AMELIA, September 6
STUTZMAN, Dan E. (Amanda Yoder) Chatsworth R2
a daughter ANNIE, September 19

Aylmer, Ontario
GASCHO, John (Martha Stoll)
a daughter RUTH, September 14
YODER, Sam and Katie
a daughter RACHEL, September 17

ORDINATIONS

Dover, Delaware

Manealus Ray Miller, 29, Dover R6, was ordained deacon in Middle District Sept. 28th. He is a son of Manealus and Verna (Yoder) Miller, and is married to Katie, daughter of Andy Byler.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Daniel M. Peachey, 55, was ordained bishop in Upper Middle Emanuel K. Peachey district. He is a son of the late Pre. Abram and Nancy B. Peachey.

WAYNE CO., OHIO ACCIDENTS

Mrs. Eli A. Miller and daughter Fannie were in an accident on Sept. 16th while riding with Mrs. Alma Bixler in a van. She lost control and they ran into an electric pole. They both bumped against the windshield cutting their heads and were taken to Wooster Hospital. They were not unconscious and are recovering at home.

Mrs. Dan J. Hershberger is still unconscious in Canton Hospital as the results of a horse and buggy accident of Sept. 12th at her home north of Apple Creek. A son was born to her the next day. They did surgery on her head Wednesday night, Sept. 17th.

GEAUGA CO., OHIO MAN CUT BY SAW

Jonathan J. Hershberger was injured while working in his son Emanuel's pallet shop on the home farm. The cable broke on the cut off saw he was working with, causing it to swing forward, cutting a deep gash in his left are below the elbow, nearly cutting through the bone and badly tearing the flesh. He was in the operating room two hours and had fifty or more stitches. After five days he was released and was doing well.

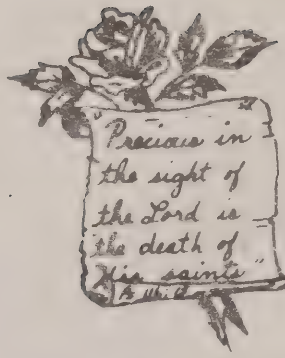
KOKOMO, IND. ACCIDENTS

Andy A. Herschberger and his 20-year-old son Ray escaped serious injury on September 4th when the bit broke in the horse's mouth. They were about to pass by a home where the horse often visited so he turned in. He was going too fast and turned the buggy over on its side, tearing the gear loose from the buggy box. He ran on till he hit a gate on the side of the barn which stopped him. Andy had several bruises and Ray received a V-shaped gash on his scalp whcih required thirty stitches. It is healing well.

Richard Allen, age 5, son of Eli L. Miller, was on top of a load of hay on September 9th, pushing bales down to his older brother, when he slipped, falling headfirst on a stone lying on cement. He had a skull fracture, and eleven stitches where the stone cut. He was in the hospital a few days and seems to be getting along fine.

CHETEK, WIS. HOUSE FIRE

Chriss H. Stutzmans had a fire in their home on Sunday, September 7th in the afternoon when a child ran into a little kerosene heater and knocked it over. No one was hurt and there were only minor damages, mostly from smoke.



OBITUARIES

BLANK, Mrs. Lizzie E., 78, Christiana R1, Pa.

died at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Samuel L. Stoltzfus' on Tuesday, September 16th. She was the widow of David Blank who died 21 years ago, and a daughter of the late Jacob and Lydia (Esh) King. Born in Leacock Township, she previously lived at New Providence R1 for the past 15 years. Surviving are these children: Fannie, wife of Samuel Stoltzfus, Christiana R1; Lydia, wife of Gideon [illegible]ker, Quarryville R3; Mary, wife of Aaron P. Miller, Bird-in-Hand R1; Jacob K. Blank, Kinzers R1; David K. Blank, Lancaster; Henry K. Blank, Bird-in-Hand R1; John R. Blank, Christiana R1; Rachel, wife of Elam Allgyer, New Providence R2; Amos K. Blank, Honey Brook R2; Lizzie, wife of Elmer Zook, Drumore R1; Arie, wife of Jacob Esch, New Providence R1; Ephraim K. Blank, Bird-in-Hand R1; 113 grandchildren; 53 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Samuel King, Leola R1; Jacob King, Narvon R1; and one sister, Leah, wife of John P. Miller, Lancaster.

Funeral services were held at the Samuel L. Stoltzfus home Friday, September 19, short services at the house by Enos Glick, hymn by Bennie Kauffman; further services in the barn by Bishop John K. Beiler and Bishop Joel K. Zook, hymn by Joseph B. King; burial in Millwood Cemetery, hymn by Ephraim Riehl, abscheid by Ben Kauffman. Pall bearers were David Stoltzfus, Amos Blank, David Allgyer, and Benuel Esch.

BORKHOLDER, Gilbert J., 44, Topeka R1, Ind.

died unexpectedly at 7:45 p.m. Friday while attending the Mennonite Relief Sale at the Elkhart County 4-H Fairgrounds. Death was due to an apparent heart attack. He was born Sept. 17, 1931, at Nappanee and had lived in the Honeyville area for the past 13 years. He was married May 3, 1962 to Edna Lambright, who survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Rosetta and Irene, and one son, Lavern, all at home; seven brothers, Roman, Arthur, Ill., and Tobias, Leroy, Eli, Eddie, John Henry and Larry, all of Nappanee; four sisters, Mrs. Mahlon (Melinda) Bontrager, Mrs. Levi (Katie) Yoder, Mrs. Albert (Ruby) Yoder, and Mrs. Eli (Irene) Lehman, all of Nappanee.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. at the Orva Millerhome two miles east of Honeyville, by Bishop Jacob Petersheim. Burial was in the Hawpatch Cemetery.

FLAUD, Jacob U. Jr., 21 Mo., Newburg R1, Pa.

was pronounced dead by drowning near his home at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26th (see front page). He was born Dec. 26, 1973 a son of Jacob E. and Sallie (Esh) Flaud. In addition to his parents he is survived by two sisters and three brothers, Anna, Martha, David, Daniel and Levi, all at home; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Flaud, Bird-in-Hand R1; and maternal grandparents, Levi and Annie Esh, Quarryville R3.

Funeral services were held Monday, Sept. 29, at 10 a.m. in the Flaud home, by Christian Esh, and Ora Troyer from Indiana, hymn by Olan Wenger; burial was in Mountain View Cemetery.

HERSHBERGER, Mrs. Sarah, 59, of Sugarcreek R1 O.

died early Saturday morning, Sept. 13, in Union Hospital after suffering an apparent heart attack Friday. Born in Kokomo, Ind., she was a daughter of the late Allen B. and Mary Ann (Miller) Yoder. In addition to her husband, Albert E. Hershberger, she is survived by two sons, Marvin of Bear, Del. and Allen of Sugarcreek; three sisters, Mrs. Menno R. (Emma) Troyer of Sugarcreek R1, Mrs. Perry (Anna) Hershberger of Middlebury, Ind. and Mrs. Gerald (Laura) Miller of New Paris, Ind.; three brothers, Henry A. and Menno A. Yoder of Jamesport R2, Mo., and Isaac A. Yoder of Plain City, Ohio. A sister and a brother preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Monday, Sept. 15, at 9 a.m. in the home by Bishop Levi R. Troyer. Burial was in the Hershberger Cemetery in Clark Township.

KAUFFMAN, Infant, Wilton, Wisconsin

daughter of Noah C. and Ida (Borntreger) Kauffman, was born Sept. 22nd, lived only a few hours. Short funeral services were held at Ben C. Borntregers on September 23rd.

KEIM, Mose J., 83, Fredericksburg R2, Ohio

died Thursday, Sept. 4, in Millersburg Hospital after a two-month illness of cancer. He was a son of Jonas H. and Rebecca (Yoder) Keim, and was a retired farmer and casketmaker. Surviving are his widow, Clara J. (Miller) Keim, to whom he had been married 60 years; a daughter and eight sons, Mrs. John J. (Anna) Weaver and Abe Keim, both of Wilmot R1, Joe of Jamesport, Mo., Eli, Mose and Andy of Fredericksburg R2, Ezra of the home place, Levi of Millersburg R5, and Dan of Spartansburg, Pa.; 70 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Jacob M. (Drucilla) Miller of Sugarcreek R2, and Mrs. Mart (Elizabeth) Hochstetler of Apple Creek R1.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Sept. 6, at 10 a.m. in the residence by Bishop Andy Weaver and at the neighbors by Bishop Levi J. Miller. Burial was in the Weaver Cemetery.

LAPP, Moses, 90, Gap R1, Pennsylvania

died Tuesday, Sept. 16, at 9:20 a.m. at Lancaster General Hospital. Born in Salisbury Township, he was a son of the late John and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Lapp. He is survived by his widow, Rachel L.

(Blank) Lapp, and these children, Christian K., Kinzers R1; Seth J., Danville; Elizabeth B., wife of Harvey Miller, Bremen, Ind., Mrs. Sylvia Lapp, Gordonville R1; Mrs. Lena Beiler, Narvon R2; Omar J., Gap R1; John H., Port Allegany; 43 grandchildren and 67 great-grandchildren. He was the last of his family.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Sept. 18, at the home of John L. Beiler, by Enos Miller from Hartville, Ohio and John Mast from Hutchinson, Kansas, hymns read by Dan Hershberger from Holmes County, Ohio and David E. Stoltzfus. Burial was in Spring Garden Cemetery.

LAPP, Omar H., 42, New Holland R1, Pa.

died at home Sunday, Sept. 14, following an illness of four weeks (see front page). Born in Earl Township, he was a son of John K. and Elizabeth E. (Smucker) Lapp. Surviving in addition to his parents are the following brothers and sisters: Emanuel S., New Holland R1; Bena, wife of David L. Beiler, New Holland R3; John J. Lapp, New Holland R1; Miriam S., wife of Christ S. Stoltzfus, Quarryville R3; Barbara F. Lapp, and Elizabeth E., wife of Amos F. Stoltzfus, both of New Holland R3; Melvin D. Lapp, Ephrata R1; and Mary S., wife of Benuel M. Fisher, New Holland R2.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Sept. 16, short services at the late home by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus, hymn read by Amos E. Stoltzfus; further services at the home of his brother Emanuel held by Elam A. Beiler and Stephen Zook, Perry Nissley from Indiana (arriving late) read hymn; burial in Stoltzfus Cemetery on the home place, hymn read by Christ S. Lapp, abschied by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus.

MILLER, Oba J., 84, Amboy R1, Indiana

died at 3:10 a.m. Sept. 19, in his home. He had been ill for one year. Born March 6, 1891 in Goshen, he was a son of John J. and Mary (Christner) Miller, and was married Jan. 29, 1920 to Anna Yoder who survives. Also surviving are five daughters, Mrs. John (Ada) Miller and Mrs. Ernest (Lydia) Beachy, both of Amboy, Mrs. Dennis (Elsie) Myers of Kokomo, Mrs. Ray (Irma) Nissley of Goshen and Mrs. Floyd (Mattie) Beachy of Kalona, 8owa; four sons, Menno and Clarence Miller, both of Kokomo, Ervin Miller of New Paris, and William Miller of Nappanee; a sister, Mrs. Andy (Mattie) Yoder of Goshen; 31 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. Two sons preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at the Andy A. Herschberger home.

PETERSHEIM, Lizzie (Plank), Haven, Kansas

died Monday, Sept. 1st, at Hutchinson Hospital after a short illness. She was born Sept. 30, 1893 in this community, and died at the age of 81 yr., 10 mo., and 2 days. On Jan. 21, 1914 she was married to Sam J. Petersheim who survives. They spent their lifetime in this community. Also surviving are two foster children (a niece and a nephew), Tobie E. Petersheim of the home, and Mrs. Roman V. (Fannie) Bontrager of Amherst, Wisconsin; a sister, Mrs. Levi J. (Susie) Bontrager of Pulaski, Iowa; 10 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the home Thursday, Sept. 4th, by Bishop Jacob D. Petersheim of Topeka, Ind., Bishop Simon Hostetler of Jamesport, Mo., and Bishop Jonas P. Bontrager of the home church in the large house, and Pre. Noah Yoder of Chouteau, Okla., Pre. John Kauffman of Massley, Ont., Canada, and Pre. David K. Bontrager of the home church.

STOLTZFUS, Mrs. Susanna S., 78, Narvon R1, Pa.

died at 6:10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, in Lancaster General Hospital where she had been admitted on Monday. Born in Upper Leacock Township, she was a daughter of the late Stephen F. and Susanna (Lantz) Stoltzfus. Surviving are her husband, Levi E. Stoltzfus; a son, Daniel S. Stoltzfus of Narvon R1; six daughters, Mattie, wife of Samuel K. King of Ronks R1; Priscilla, wife of Ben Z. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R1; Susie, wife of Samuel J. Stoltzfus; Katie, wife of Benuel S. King; and Miriam, wife of John E. King, all of Honey Brook R2; and Rebecca, wife of Samuel M. Stoltzfus, Narvon R1; 47 grandchildren; 54 great-grandchildren, and a brother, Amos L. Stoltzfus of Franklin County, Pennsylvania.

Funeral services were held at the late home on Thursday, Sept. 25, at 9 a.m. Burial was in Mast's Cemetery.

TROYER, Rebecca E., age 2, Dundee R1, Ohio

died Thursday night, Sept. 4, in her home. She had been ill since birth. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of Emanuel L. and Katie (Miller) Troyer. Surviving in addition to her parents are four brothers and three sisters, Steven, Nathan, Allen, Levi, Esther, Ruth and Anna Marie, all at home; and grandfathers, Levi A. C. Troyer of Millersburg R5, and Menno S. Miller of Arthur, Illinois.

Funeral services were held in the home Sunday, Sept. 7, at 9 a.m., by Bishop Abe D. Yoder. Burial was in the Milo Yoder Cemetery.

MIFFLIN COUNTY, PA. WASHHOUSE FIRE

Pre. Shem Swareys had fire in their washhouse September 10th while drying apples with a kerosene stove which got out of control. The washhouse was burned quite badly on the inside but didn't burn down. A new roof anf rafters were put on that day. There was smoke and water damage throughout the entire house, the kitchen being the worst. Windows were nearly all cracked by the heat, window shades melted, some linoleum burned, but the house was saved.

SPRING WAGON HIT BY CAR

Pre. Korie Yoder of Allensville, Mifflin Co., Pa., was hit in the rear of his closed front spring wagon by a car on September 12th. The top of the spring wagon was wrecked in many pieces. The horse had a broken leg and was killed. Korie was thrown from the wreckage and had a concussion. He was taken to the hospital by ambulance, and was kept there four days. He is slowly improving but not working yet, still has headache, and soreness in his neck and back.

SEPTEMBER 1975

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil Hershberger

September brought us the end of a wet summer, with the first week of autumn even more so with 7.1 inches rain. Total for the month was 10.2 inches. Several cool spells reminded us that summer is nearing its end, with a low of 38 on the 14th. Silo filling is about finished except for several late plantings. Preparing seed beds and sowing fall grain is the order of the day. Corn harvest has begun with market price of $2.75 bu. at 15.5% moisture test. Soybean harvest has also started. Hog prices remain high, topped at 63¢, with pig prices topped at $1.40 lb.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

Excellent weather in September until the third week. From the 20th to the 26th we had about 10 in. rain. It is now excellent again. Husking corn is about all it is fit for in the fields, and barely that. September 13 temperature was down to 40. Wild geese are heading south again, reminding us that winter is not far off.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 12.4 inches. From Sept. 20 to Sept. 27, we had 10.5 inches of rain from Hurricane Eloise. Lamcaster reported 12 inches.

Market report: Choice and prime steers sold $40 to $56 cwt.; feeder steers $28 to $38 cwt.; fat hog market peaked at a record $66 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs $1.15 to $1.35 lb.; prime veal $60 to $65 cwt.; dairy cows $350 to $970. Leghorn fowl 8¢ lb., heavy 15¢ lb.; roasters 45¢ lb.; ducks 60¢ lb.; large eggs 61¢. Potatoes retail $6 cwt; corn $2.85 bu., $82 ton; wheat $3.45 bu.; barley $1.80 bu.; oats $1.60 bu. Hay $45 to $91 ton; straw $38 to $49 ton.

by Ammon Fisher

September started in damp and cool, rainy all day. Cloudy and showers nearly every day till the 10th, not very good weather for hay makers and tobacco cutters. Sept, 10 it was 40 degrees which added a little pep to life. Rain every day from Sept. 18 to Sept. 27. We had 8 inches. The last three days were nice fall-like weather. No killing frost yet, but a few nippers.

by Elam S. Beiler

Corn picking has started, but most of farmers are still filling and refilling silo. We had a rainy week which ripened corn very fast. It did not take many acres to fill silos, as it is a very good crop. Most of the tobacco had been cut by the 20th. Very little of the fall grains are sowed yet, no fourth cutting alfalfa mowed, and still some third cutting out. Tomato picking is over now without frost, not quite as heavy yield as last year. Wild geese are heading south. We are still having sweet corn and lima beans. Apples are plentiful.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

September had a total of 13.2 inches rain, most of which fell the third week when we had 10 inches. There is still a little tobacco out in the fields, and only about half of the silo filling done. No killing frost yet, and the grass is extra green since the heavy rains. Corn fields are lodged a little since the rain, and low spots are too wet to get through with heavy loads.

Bradford County, Pennsylvania, by Clemens Nissley

The weather in September was about normal, with the exception of the third week we had rain every day but Saturday. The total of ten inches caused floods in some places. We had light frost on Sept. 11 and Sept. 12, not really a killing frost. The last four days were mild and good drying weather. Farmers are busy filling silos, Corn is nice and green yet. Trees are about in their peak of beauty now.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam. M. Troyer

It has been quite a normal September until the 23rd. Then in the next three days we got 11¾ inches rain, which caused quite a bit of flooding, but no great damage in this area. We had a very light frost in the forepart of the month. Corn isn't too good in this part because of the dry weather we had this summer. Apple crop is better than usual. The Harry Troyer cider press is very busy.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

September came in with showers, cool the first week. Cool nights and mornings the first week, 38 or 40 degrees a few times. Lowest 33, but no hard frost yet. Katy-dids can still be heard. A good bit of rain during the time of the hurricane in Florida. We had six inches in those four days, making a total of 7.5 inches for the month. Farmers are filling silo, making last cutting hay, getting ready to sow wheat, and a few have husked some corn. Many are picking apples, which seem to be a good crop. Trees are already changing to their beautiful colors. Some leaves are slowly dropping down.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y. Renno

The weather here was mostly cool and wet. A total of 12 inches rain fell, half of it in one day and night as a hurricane came up along the coast. We had no storm with it, just water. Creeks were overflowing but no major damgge was done. Downriver from us there were many towns flooded along the Susquehanna River, This river starts up in New York State. The river was out over its banks all the way through Pennsylvania. The Juniata River along here was level full but not over its banks much. Its headwaters are 100 miles west of here in the high points of the Allegheny Mts. Wheat seeding and silo filling are behind schedule this year because of wet weather. The springs are all flowing strong like they usually do in March.

Franklin County, Pennsylvania, by Jacob Flaud

We had nice weather during the early part of the month. Silo filling was started around the second week. Some people were plowing for small grain and seeding alfalfa, also some hay made. The third week it rained about 9 inches. It was part of a storm that came up along the coast and hit some states pretty bad, also high winds in some places. On Sept. 26 it cleared and the sun came out just beautiful. The rest of the month it stayed nice. Leaves are starting to change color.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

September will probably be long remembered by some of the natives of Adams County, because of the floods from Hurricane Eloise, which caused conditions worse than Agnes in 1972, in this area. The Conewago Creek overflowed its banks and almost became a river. Rock Creek was higher than the fence posts. In the Barlow area the creek was higher than the bridge and the road was closed. According to the Gettysburg Times the wettest September on record for Gettysburg was in 1934 with 15 inches, Our gauge shows a total of 14 in.; normal for Sept. is 3¼ in. We have nice fall weather at present. The coldest was 38 on Sept. 14. We noticed a little frost that morning. Farmers have started filling silo, but have been unable to do much field work lately.

Oakland, Maryland, by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

We had a light frost Sept. 14, but no killing frost yet. The corn was nipped over the top so it has been turning brown. Men folks are filling silo. The last few days in Sept. have been nice fall-like days without rain.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Abe Kinsinger

September has had plenty of moisture, between 4 and 5 inches rain. It was real hard for people to get their wheat sowed and silos filled. We have had no killing frost except a few low spots where corn was reported frozen.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania, by Dan J. Troyer

September was mostly cloudy and wet with about 8 inches rain. Fields were soft for filling silo, but it is mostly done now except refilling. Corn husking has started and is a good crop. Not much fall seeding has been done on account of wet weather. Milk price is $7.64 for 4% test. Hogs 64¢, feeder pigs over a dollar a pound.

Townville, Pennsylvania, by Willis J. Hostetler

Weather for September was above average rainfall. Threshing isn't quite done yet. Third cutting hay isn't all made, also lots of silo filling to do yet. Milk is $8.35 cwt.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Fisher

We had mostly nice weather through September, with a rainy week the middle of the month. Temperature was rather changeable. We had light frost two mornings, with very little damage. Men are finished filling silo; corn is ready to pick. Gardens are mostly over.

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

Cold and rainy describes the weather for September. Farmers have had a very difficult time to harvest, especially hay and some oats. August was also wet and some oats rotted in the fields. Corn is being harvested, but with an extra effort due to muddy fields. Oil well drillers have been in this area to add to the cut up fields. They have the equipment to go on rain or shine, and most of their crew seems to be tough and bold. The last few days have been nice.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

We had lots of moisture this month, 8½ inches of rain. Grass looks nice and green yet. Silo filling is finished, and some are cutting corn. Leaves are turning color. Fire in the stove feels good these cool nights. Plenty of sales are going on. Wheat sowing is being done at present, a little late due to wet weather. Corn is a good crop.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Farmers have been busy filling silos when fields were not too soft. Still a few silos to be filled, and no wheat sowed yet. Plenty of fall pasture. Corn is being cut to put in shock, which seems to be a very good crop. Plenty of garden vegetables, but not as many potatoes as sometimes; however, they were mostly nice and good size. Lots of apples. Very little frost so far. We had 7 inches rain in September. Springs are running strong. Corn is drying surprisingly fast for as wet as the weather has been. Hog market $65.75 cwt.; calves $50.50; steers $47.10.

Southeastern Holmes, by John L. Yoder

Our weather report is a little unusual for this month, having above average rainfall. Lots of damp and cloudy days. Third cutting hay was hard to get dry and some spoiled. Silo filling is not quite done, with fields being soft, and sometimes impossible to keep going. Wheat seeding has just started, not much corn cut yet. Quite a bit will be husked on stalk. Pig prices are still going up. Feed is holding its own.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Lovina J. Miller

We had over 3 inches rain the week of Sept. 15, so potato growers are out of luck this year. It was also plenty wet to dry clover seed, but they hulled some here on the ninth. It will soon be late to sow wheat; some are not done plowing. We had a light frost Sept. 14. Silo filling is nearly over. Crops were fairly good around here, with some hail damage in places. Gardens were very good this year. We also have lots of Bartlett pears, and had apples to cook all summer. It is soon time to pick apples and make cider. Hay making is still on the go, but has been too damp to put any in barn lately.

Ashland, Ohio, by Katie Brenneman

Weather in September was damp and rainy with a lot of rainfall. During the last week we had a few warm, sunny days which was much appreciated after the cool, damp weather. We had two light frosts in the middle of the month, but it didn't do much damage. Apples are an excellent crop, although hail had done a little damage to them this summer.

Danville, Ohio, by Mrs. Tobe Hostetler

The weather through September was mostly cool with plenty of rain. People are almost finished filling silo. Corn looks promising. We had an abundant crop of fruit and vegetables. We are getting ready for our harvest sale at the school. The trees are changing colors, which makes beautiful scenery on our rolling lands through here.

Hicksville, Ohio, by David Raber

We had a few sunny days in September, but many more were cloudy or rainy. People are combining soybeans, and some who have driers are harvesting high moisture corn. Corn is $2.65; wheat $3.80; oats $1.35; fat hogs 65¢.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

Weather for September was cloudy and cool, but not much rain. We had only light frosts so far. Corn looks better than expected from the dry weather we had earlier. Cattle prices are going down from many dairy farmers selling out because of the low margin profits, from high overhead expenses.

Branch County, Michigan, by Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

September has been a cool, cloudy, drizzly month, with very few sunny days. On the 13th and 28th we had frosts, but things still look green. Snow had been seen falling not far away on the 25th. Most of the wheat is in the ground.

Centreville, Michigan, by Treva Yoder

September had cool nights, but warm in daytime. Some had frost the 14th, and 34 degrees. We had rain on the 29th. Men are still filling silo.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

We had above average rainfall and cool for Sept. Most of the wheat was sowed the last week. No killing frost yet.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

We had lots of rain throughout September, even some snow flurries on the 13th, with our first killing frost on the 14th. We did not finish threshing oats until the 19th. It was too hard to dry second and third crop hay. Farmers are still filling silo. Some corn fields are soft yet for cutting corn.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

We are still having plenty of moisture. Lawns, alfalfa, and early sown wheat fields are green. Most silo filling is done, but has been halted by showers. It has been quite cool the last few weeks with little sunshine. We have many garden fruits, some pickles yet. Corn is about ripe and a very good crop.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

The first week was cool and rainy, the 12th very cool with light frost, 13th sunny, 15th to 18th cloudy and damp, 19th an all day rain, 23rd sunny, rest of the week damp and cloudy, 28th and 29th warm and sunny. Men are busy filling silos, and women are finishing their canning.

Kosciusko County, Indiana, by Joni D. Gingerich

September was on the cool side, although we had no killing frost except a few low spots on the fourteenth. We had 2.3 inches rain during the month. The high was 85 on the third, and the low 35 on the fifteenth. We had 14 days of cloudy weather, and only three all sunshine. Wheat is about all sowed, and silos are all filled except a few that were waiting on late planted corn. Soybean harvest has started and they look very good. The price of beans is $5.21. Wheat is $3.68; shelled corn $2.75; oats $1.60. All vegetables yielded well this year.

Milroy, Indiana, by John R. Yutzy

We had about an average month for this time of the year. We had 3½ inches rain, average temperature. Some wheat was sowed. Corn and soybean harvest has started. It looks as though the later crops will yield better than the early ones due to a dry summer. No fall plowing is being done yet. Silo filling is about over.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

We had a lot of dreary, rainy days in September. We had a light frost in the latter part, but it did not do any damage. We had some very warm weather, also some pretty chilly days.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

September was mostly damp and cool with lots of rainfall. We had plenty of foggy mornings, and two or three days of sunshine each week. Men are busy with silo filling, bean harvest, and late cutting hay. Women are gathering late potatoes and garden things. Potatoes were a very good crop, also watermelons. Some melons weighed over 40 lb.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

The weather has been pleasant. We had a few warm days, but mostly cool, ranging from 42 to 80 degrees. Some places had light frost. Beans are mostly harvested, with good yields. Some corn has been picked. The moisture rate is quite high. The yield is the best I have seen. Some ground has been plowed for wheat and worked down nice. Silo filling is about over. Several new silos were put up.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

The first two weeks in September were very warm and dry. After our refreshing shower in the middle of the month it cooled off considerably and remains cool since. Leaves are changing color. Hogs are $63.50; corn $2.70.

Ethridge, Tennessee, by Jacob J. Gingerich

The first week of September was the warmest for this year, with a high of 93, but it gradually cooled off and the latter part of the month was cool and wet with a low of 40 degrees, and 6¼ inches rain. Some are husking corn off the stalk, but none being shredded yet. Lots of Lespedeza hay going in now. Sorghum molasses cooking is in full swing, selling from $5.50 to $6 a bucket. Feeder pigs are extremely high, sold for $1.89 lb. (27 lb. average). Cattle prices remain about the same.

Anabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

Weather has been a little cool with some warm days, only a little rain this month. Harvesting corn and beans has started. Some hay has been put up.

Seymour, Missouri, by Menno D. Schwartz

Crops are mostly harvested, except milo, late hay, and some sorgo. Good pasture this fall. Lots of rain and warm weather. We had 7 inches rain on the tenth and eleventh, also 2 inches on the 28th. Tempature down to 32, but no real frost yet. There are lots of persimmons, but not so many walnuts this year. It was quite warm the first week in September, in the 90's.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

We had cool weather most of the month, low of 39 on the 23rd. A few light frosts several mornings. We have had plenty of moisture and several quite heavy showers. Milk price $7.20 for 3.5% test. Feeder pigs up to $1.50 lb.; fat hogs 62¢; beef cattle still cheap.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

The last days of August were wet, and we have had rain in September to make things green up and grow, also to work wheat ground; some have sowed already. Corn is well-matured and a good crop. Weather is cooler; our hot weather lasted longer than usual. Sorghum cooking is started. The natives here like their sorghum molasses as well as the eastern people like their maple syrup.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

September was somewhat dry until the 18th when we had 2 inches rain, plus several showers since. Corn and bean harvest is underway. Sorghum cooking has started the middle of the month. Harvest is earlier this year and solid ground to hold up machinery. Low was 36 on the 26th. Frost was seen in spots, but no harm.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by Mrs. E. E. Schrock

September has been a nice month. We had some good rains, and some sunshine, too; cool nights. Wheat is mostly sowed, and silos are being filled. Temperatures were from 44 to 100. Plenty of peaches, apples, and pears.

Reno County (Partridge), Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

We had many pleasant days in September. Several days fire in the stove felt good. We had enough rain to put the wheat ground in good shape. Planting is about half done. Silage feed is a little on the short side. Milo looks fair, but very little has been cut yet. Wheat price is up to $4. It seems every time it gets around $4 a lot of wheat is sold and the price slips again.

Garnett, Kansas, by Edward H. Yoder

September brought us 1½ inches rain. High was 96 on the third, and low was 39 on the 25th. Soybeans look good, but are late in maturing and in danger if we get early frost. The corn crop is about all harvested. Early milo is harvested with exception of fields with second growth. Lots of milo to harvest yet. Quite a bit of wheat has been sowed in good shape. Fall gardens are looking good. Apples are an abundant crop.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Borntreger

We are having ideal fall weather at the end of September. We had several light frosts in the last ten days, but it didn't freeze all the leaves. Corn and beans look to be a fairly good crop in spite of the 6 to 7 weeks drought from latter part of June to Aug. 9. Silo filling is pretty well underway. There was lots of ensilage put up this fall, some on piles or in trenches, and about 7 new silos went up in this neighborhood.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

September was a pleasant month. We had light frosts the 13th, and 25th to 27th, only ½ inch rain. Most corn would be ready to pick; some machine-picked already. It is too dry to plow. Silos are filled. Gardens produced well, also lots of fruit and grapes.

Milton, Iowa, by Delbert R. Schmucker

September was an ideal month. Silos are filled. Corn is a good crop except some late planted fields. Beans look good. The rains brought some good fall pastures and third cutting hay. Feeder cattle up to $40, and better fat cattle steady. Feeder pigs up to $1.50 lb.; fat hogs $63. Corn and beans are down a little. Milk $6.41 for 3.7% test.

Bloomfield, Iowa, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

The first few days of September were very warm, then it turned cooler. It was an exceptionally cool month with lots of cloudy days and ample moisture. Very little frost until a fairly hard one on Oct. 12, although not killing everything. Soybeans are being harvested, also some corn.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by Levi J. Borntrager

We had plenty of moisture in September. We had a hard thunder shower on the tenth, We had some nice sunny days, but mostly cool, also a few light frosts. Leaves are changing color, but aren't at their peak yet. Silo filling is almost finished. Feeder pig prices are still rising, $52 to $55 and some still higher. Cattle prices are about the same. Milk prices a little higher, $7.85 for 3.5 test.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

The first ten days in September were damp, with several showers. The month was nice for this time of the year, enough moisture to keep things growing. We had some nice, sunny days the last two weeks, which helped ripen late corn. We had three frosts during the month, but it didn't freeze much on the ridge. A lot of silos are filled with still some to go. Some third cutting hay is being made. A lot of ear corn in the county, which looks like a good crop.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Joe C. Borntreger

September was nice with scattered showers. On the tenth we had 2 inches rain in an hour, which brought our creek up to the bridge. We had frosts a few mornings, but up on the ridge a lot of corn fields are still green. People are filling silo and cutting corn to shock. The trees are at their prettiest right now with many bright colors, a beautiful sight.

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker Jr.

We had frost the 9th of September and several more light frosts. There was no real killing frost till after the 21st. Lots of corn went into the silos this month. Still quite a few fields of corn can be seen. Had more rains during September too.

Chetek, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Henry Lehman

The first part of September temperatures ranged from 72 to 82. The rest of the month was rather cool, damp and rainy. We had a few light frosts with only minor damage. Some silo filling is being done. Corn is a good crop.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Mose S. Miller

September was quite warm and sunny with some cool days and nights. We had a few nice rains. The week of the 15th there were several light frosts, but no killing frost yet. Men are filling silo and doing fall plowing.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William Schrock, Sr.

We had nice weather in September, with some rain. On Sept. 13 we had our first frost, but not a hard one. Some have started cribbing corn. It seems to be better matured than it was a year ago; however, some was hurt quite a bit by drought. Potatoes were a good crop again. Silo filling is about done, some are cutting wood or working at sawmill.

Canton, Minnesota, by Chriss Stutzman

The first week in September was nice sunshine. We had our first frost Sept. 9, then a week of cloudy and misty days. There was a harder frost Sept. 20, but the higher level land had no damage. The last four days were cool and sunny, ideal to ripen corn.

Aylmer, Ontario, by LeRoy Eicher

September has been wet, making it hard for silo fillers. Some reported rotten potatoes and carrots. We have lots of things to eat again this year. Market pigs were up to 90¢ lb. dressed, but were down to 84¢ at last reports. Weaner pigs were from $60 to $70 a piece. Beef is dropping some.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

The ground was still wet and soft from the August rains and although we didn't have much rain in September it was just enough to keep everything damp so that there are still a lot of farmers with grain to thresh. Most weeks there were only two or three afternoons that you could thresh. Some farmers are filling silo when grain is too wet, and threshing when it is dry. Have had a few light frosts, but no damage. Trees are changing colour. There is a good apple crop. Tomatoes are still ripening.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

September was very rainy with many days of cool drizzly weather. For awhile many fields were too soft for silo filling. Towards the end of the month it was like summer. Corn is a very good crop with the price around $2.90 a bushel. Pastures are a lush green. Much of the second cutting hay was ruined by the rains.

Grey County, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

September has been unusually wet, greatly delaying threshing. The Amish are done now, but there is still grain out in swaths. Late grain was sprouting in the stooks. Grain that was threshed on the tough side is now heating in the bins. Our grain bin is getting green over top. Ontario farmers will not soon forget this year, as the corn fields were wet also, which put the harvesters at a standstill. Three nice days put them back in the fields again. No killing frost yet. Geese are going south, which is a good reminder that winter is on the way. Silo filling is pretty well over with.

MARRIAGES

Dover, Delaware

Miller, Swartzentruber – John, son of Harry and Elizabeth Miller, to Sarah Anne, daughter of Pre. Simon and Mary Swartzentruber, Sept. 11, by Bishop David Nissley of Indiana.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Delagrange, Troyer – Joseph, son of Joseph and Marie (Lenacher) Delagrange, to Susie, daughter of Daniel D. and Mattie (Beechy) Troyer, Sept. 25, by Joseph Delagrange.

Oakland, Maryland

Yoder, Schrock – Paul, son of John and Barbara Yoder, to Naomi, daughter of Ernest and Martha Schrock.

Kauffman, Schrock – Joe, son of Abe and Ella Kauffman, to Abbie, daughter of Bishop Norman and Lena Schrock.

Geauga County, Ohio

Wengard, Yoder – Nelson, son of Gid and Bertha (Byler) Wengard, to Betty, daughter of Lester and Sylvia (Schmucker) Yoder, Sept. 16th.

Troyer, Troyer – John Henry, son of Dan and Ida (Kuhns) Troyer, to Becky, daughter of Albert and Katie (Mast) Troyer, Sept. 18th.

Mast, Kauffman – Jake, son of John and Barbara (Yoder) Mast, to Sylvia, daughter of John and Ella (Shrock) Kauffman, Sept. 25th.

Yoder, Miller – Crist, son of Steve and Fannie (Hershberger) Yoder, to Ada, daughter of Mary and the late Jake J. Miller, Sept. 29th.

Wayne County, Ohio

Troyer, Yoder – Andy, son of Eli A. and Fannie (Hershberger) Troyer, to Mattie, daughter of Dan J. and Ida (Miller) Yoder, Sept. 25th.

Holmes County, Ohio

Schlabach, Mast – Jerry, son of Alvin and Ella (Miller) Schlabach, to Maryann, daughter of Pre. Jacob I. and Susan (Schlabach) Mast, Sept. 27, by Bishop Atlee Miller.

Miller, Schlabach – John, son of Wayne and Lizzie (Yoder) Miller, to Fannie, daughter of Levi and Maryann (Troyer) Schlabach, Sept. 18, by Bishop Jonas Keim.

Ashland County, Ohio

Raber, Schlabach – Aden H., son of Henry J. Rabers, to Barbara, daughter of John Schlabachs, Oct. 2, by Bishop Uriah Yoder.

Centreville, Michigan

Graber, Hochstetler – Alvin Graber of Indiana, to Anna, daughter of Mrs. Mary and the late Alvin Hochstetler of Mountain View, Mo. and Burr Oak R1, Michigan, Sept. 18th.

Branch County, Michigan

Schwartz, Eicher – Jerry T., son of Christ and Mary (Troyer) Schwartz, Norfolk, N. Y., to Sarah Mae, daughter of Noah N. and Katie (Beiler) Eicher, Montgonery, Mich., Sept. 4, by Amos L. Beiler.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, Miller – Ervin, son of Ezra W. and Clara (Miller) Bontrager, to Laurie, daughter of Tobe and Mary (Miller) Miller, Sept. 18th.

Frey, Wingard – Leonard, son of John and Ida (Hostetler) Frey, to Erma, daughter of Elmer and Ella (Frye) Wingard, Sept. 24, by Bishop Elvie Frye,

Kokomo, Indiana

Mast, Herschberger – Elmer, son of Henry and Miriam (Gingerich) Mast, to Mary Jane, daughter of Joel and Dena (Eash) Herschberger, Sept. 18, by Bishop Joe J. Yoder of Shipshewana, Indiana.

Bontrager, Miller – Lonnie, son of Melvin C. and Laura (Miller) Bontrager, to Sara, daughter of Albert H. and Elva (Miller) Miller, Sept. 25, by Bishop Chris E. Otto of Arthur, Illinois.

Arthur, Illinois

Miller, Gingerich – Marvin, son of Jacob and Edna (Miller) Miller, to Catherine, daughter of Eli and Fannie (Diener) Gingerich, Sept. 11th.

Mast, Bontrager – Andy Ray, son of Bishop William and Maryann (Plank) Mast, to Sarah Mae, daughter of Dea. Roman and Katie (Herschberger) Bontrager, Sept. 25th.

Pike County, Missouri

Kemp, Schwartz – Jacob, son of Wilmer and Mary Kemp, to Elma, daughter of Jacob and Lydia Schwartz, Sept. 18th.

Mast, Marner – Tobias, son of Alvin and Katie Mast, to Verna, daughter of Dan Marners of Daviess County, Indiana, Sept. 23rd.

Johnson County, Iowa

Beachy, Miller – Emory, son of Earl Beachy, to Sadie, daughter of Henry Miller, Sept. 18, by Bishop Truman Miller.

Cashton, Wisconsin

Yoder, Hershberger – Neal, son of Aden Yoder, to Erma, daughter of Chris Hershberger, Sept. 18th.

Milverton, Ontario

Kuepfer, Jantzi – Elmer, son of Joel and Tena Kuepfer, to Linda, daughter of David N. and Sarah Jantzi, Sept. 18, by Bishop Amos Albrecht.

BAPTISMS

St. Mary's County, Maryland
East and North Districts, Aug. 31
by Bishop Sam J. Stoltzfus
Samuel, son of Bishop Sam and Emma Stoltzfus
Bradley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ballard
Levi, son of Levi and Lizzie Yoder
Lydia, daughter of Jacob and Susie Swarey
Mary, daughter of Chris and Lydia Swarey
Lizzie, daughter of Levi and Lizzie Yoder
West District, September 14
by Bishop Sam J. Stoltzfus
Joe, son of Jacob and Emma Kurtz
Dannie, son of Dan and Fannie Byler
Elam, son of Benj. and Lydia Hostetler
John, son of Daniel and Katie Esh (deceased)
Jonathan, son of Levi and Phoebe Stoltzfus
Lizzie and Lena, twin daughters of Steve and Sarah Kurtz
Salomie, daughter of Isaac and Sarah Fisher
Katie, daughter of Chris and Susie Byler
Malinda, daughter of Dan and Fannie Byler
Rebecca, daughter of Mose and Mary Hostetler
Annie, daughter of Andrew and Sarah Hertzler

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
West Upper Millcreek, September 14
by Bishop David Blank
David, son of John and the late Fannie (Stoltzfus) Glick
Benuel, son of David and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Glick
Jonas, son of John and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Allgyer
Christy, son of David and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Blank
Miriam, daughter of David and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Glick
Sadie, daughter of John and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Allgyer
Annie, daughter of Isaac and Marian (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Upper Millcreek, Talmage, September 14
by Bishop Levi Stoltzfus
Gideon, son of Sam and Sarah (Diener) Lapp
Amos, son of Christ and Barbara (Fisher) King
Jacob, son of Jacob and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Smucker
Ben, son of Dan and Annie (Stoltzfus) King
Elam, son of Amos and Priscilla (Zook) Beiler
Nancy, daughter of Sam and Sarah (Diener) Lapp
Sadie, dau. of Dan and Annie (Stoltzfus) King
Barbara, dau. of Elam and Malinda (Esh) King
Anna, dau. of Jacob and Katie (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Barbara, dau. of Amos and Mary (Fisher) Lapp
Fannie, dau. of David and Leah (Stoltzfus) Lantz
Annie, dau. of Jacob and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Smucker
Mary, dau. of Christ and Barbara (Fisher) King
Malinda, dau. of David and Leah (Stoltzfus) Lantz
West Millcreek District, September 14
by Bishop Enos Beiler
John, son of Christ and Ada (Ebersol) King
Eli, son of Aaron and Mary (Stoltzfus) Glick
Samuel, son of Samuel and Annie (King) Fisher
Ephraim, son of Enos and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Benuel, son of John and Lizzie (Riehl) Stoltzfoos
Levi, son of Samuel and Annie (King) Fisher
Lizzie, dau. of John and Lizzie (Riehl) Stoltzfoos
Naomi, dau. of John and Sarah (King) Esh

BAPTISMS, Continued
Lancaster County, Pa., Continued
Lower Millcreek, Centerville, September 21
by Bishop Amos E. King
David, son of Seth and Annie (Riehl) Fisher
Joseph, son of Jonas and Sarah (Riehl) Ebersol
Henry, son of Alvin and Mary (Beiler) Fisher
Fannie, dau.of Melvin and Katie (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Rebecca, dau.of Jonas and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) King
Mary, dau.of Melvin and Katie (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Levina, dau.of Christ and Sadie (Stoltzfus) Lapp
Lower Millcreek, Mt. Tabor, September 14
by Bishop Jonas Lapp
Daniel, son of Daniel and Mary (Lapp) King
John, son of Jacob and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Riehl
Elias, son of Gideon and Sallie (Zook) Beiler
Anna, dau.of Daniel and Mary (Lapp) King
Katie, dau.of Abner and Sadie (King) Smucker
Nancy, dau.of Daniel and Mary (Fisher) Smucker
Mary, dau.of David and Susie (Stoltzfus) Smucker
Lizzie, dau.of Daniel and Mary (Fisher) Smucker
North Honey Brook, September 21
by Bishop Elam Kauffman
[illegible]l, son of Daniel and Lydia (King) Stoltzfus
Jonathan, son of David and Amanda (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Sarah, dau.of David and Amanda (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Emma, dau.of Sam and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Fisher
South Honey Brook, September 14
by Bishop Elam Kauffman
John, son of John and Rebecca (King) Fisher
Ben, son of Elam and Sadie (King) Kauffman
Samuel, son of John and Katie (Esh) Stoltzfus
Levi, son of Levi and Annie (Stoltzfus) Kauffman
Paul, son of Sarah (Stoltzfus) and the late Daniel Blank
Rebecca, dau. of Elam and Sadie (King) Kauffman
Rachel, dau.of Amos and Ada (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Amanda, dau.of Levi and Katie (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Lower Pequea, Cains, September 14
by Bishop John F. Glick
Omar, son of David and Susie (Riehl) Stoltzfus
David, son of Katie (Beiler) and the late Levi Stoltzfus
Emanuel, son of Norman and Fannie (King) Beiler
Stevie, son of John and Sylvia (Zook) Stoltzfus
David, son of Benuel and Annie (Esh) Blank
Barbara, dau.of Ephraim and Rebecca (Riehl) Stoltzfus
Sylvia, dau. of Aaron and Mary (Kauffman) Ebersole
Anna Mary, dau.of Norman and Fannie (King) Beiler
Rebecca, dau.of Elam and Mary (Diener) Beiler
Barbara, dau. of Joseph and Malinda (Smoker) Blank
Naomi, dau. of Elmer and Arie (Esh) Lapp
Lydia, dau. of Aaron and Mary (Kauffman) Ebersole
Fannie, dau.of Benuel and Annie (Esh) Blank
Lower Pequea, Kinzer, September 21
by Bishop Henry S. Fisher
Aaron, son of Ben and Priscilla (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Daniel, son of Amos and Barbara (Stoltzfoos) Yoder
David, son of Samuel and Fannie (Beiler) Stoltzfoos
David, son of Henry and Sadie (Smucker) Fisher
Stevie, son of Samuel and Fannie (Beiler) Stoltzfoos
Sarah, dau.of Ben and Priscilla (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Sadie, dau.of John and Annie (Smucker) Lapp
Sadie, dau.of Jacob and Emma (Stoltzfus) Glick
Katie, dau.of Stephen and Katie (Glick) Fisher
Erma, dau.of Jacob and Emma (Stoltzfus) Glick
Savilla, dau.of Amos and Barbara (Stoltzfoos) Yoder
Lower Pequea, Gap, September 14
by Bishop Henry S. Fisher
Wilmer, son of Moses and Barbara (Glick) Stoltzfoos
Jonathan, son of David and Rebecca (King) Zook
Christ, son of Christ and Katie (Byler) King
Abram, son of Ira and Annie (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Lydia, dau.of Moses and Lydia (Blank) Stoltzfus
Rachel, dau.of Tobias and Mary (Zook) Stoltzfus
Sara, dau.of Abram and Barbara (Lantz) Diener
Rachel, dau.of John and Nancy (Diener) Stoltzfus
Naomi, dau.of Katie (Blank) and the late Samuel Fishe
Barbara. dau.of John and Nancy (Diener) Stoltzfus
Malinda, dau.of Ira and Annie (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Barbara, dau. of Ben and Sarah (Diener) Beiler
Lower Pequea, Mt. Vernon, September 14
by Bishop Sam. F. Stoltzfus
Omar, son of Omar and Sadie (Fisher) Stoltzfus
David, son of Omar and Sadie (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Ira, son of Amos Stoltzfus and the late Mary (Fisher)
Emanuel, son of David and Rebecca (Esh) King
Elmer, son of Jonas and Sadie (King) Stoltzfus
Samuel and Emanuel, twin sons of Levi and Mary (Beiler) Esh
Anna, daughter of Levi and Mary (Beiler) Esh
Anna. dau.of Samuel and Susie (Stoltzfoos) Stoltzfus
Naomi, dau. of Daniel and Susie (Smucker) Diener
Middle Pequea, Vintage, September 21
by Bishop Amos G. Esh
Christ, son of Amos and Katie (Huyard) Esh
David, son of Ben and Susie (King) Fisher
Daniel, son of Ben and Susie (King) Fisher
Daniel, son of Eli and Emma (Esh) King
Malinda, dau.of John and Rachel (Lapp) Stoltzfus
Emma, dau.of Christ and Katie (Allgyer) Fisher
Hannah, dau.of Sadie (Smucker) and the late Benj. Stoltzfus
Barbara, dau.of Jesse and Fannie (King) Esh
Middle Pequea, Intercourse, September 14
by Bishop Amos G. Esh
Ben, son of Jonas and Mary (Fisher) Yoder
John, son of Lloyd and Annie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Miriam, dau.of Amos and Sadie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Upper Pequea, Weavertown, September 14
by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler
Samuel, son of Amos and Ruth (Petersheim) Lapp
Paul, son of John and Lydia (Smoker) Stoltzfus
Paul, son of Leroy and Leah (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Abram, son of Malinda (Beiler) and the late Isaac Petersheim
Samuel, son of Samuel and Susie (Lapp) Stoltzfus
Hannah, dau.of Mike and Katie (King) Smoker
Emma, dau.of Elmer and Fannie (King) Petersheim
Mary, dau.of Malinda (Beiler) and the late Isaac Petersheim
Emma, dau. of Jonas and Annie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Lavina, dau. of Dan and Mary (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Lizzie, dau.of Malinda a(Beiler) and the late Isaac Petersheim

Upper Pequea, Greenland, September 21

by Bishop John M. Beiler

Moses, son of Jacob and Lizzie (Fisher) Riehl
Samuel, son of Eli and Katie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Eli, son of David and Sadie (Stoltzfus) King
Daniel, son of Jacob and Katie (Beiler) Lapp
Lizzie, dau. of Joseph and Lydia (Zook) King
Lizzie, dau. of Joseph and Rebecca (King) Beiler
Rachel, dau. of Jacob and Katie (Beiler) Lapp
Sarah, dau. of David and Sadie (Stoltzfus) King

Mt. Pleasant District, September 21

by Bishop Joel Zook

John, son of Reubem and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Enos, son of Joel and Mary (King) Zook
David, son of Joseph and Mattie (Esh) Fisher
Joel, son of Samuel and Sarah (King) Stoltzfus
Jonas, son of Daniel and Barbara (Petersheim) King
Leroy, son of Jacob and Katie (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Elam, son of Daniel and Barbara (King) Smucker
Ammon, son of Joel and Mary (King) Zook
Amos, son of John and Elizabeth (Glick) Esh
Katie, dau. of Daniel and Barbara (Petersheim) King

Northwest Georgetown, September 21

by Bishop Israel Beiler

David, son of Aaron and Katie (Stoltzfus) King
Ephraim, son of Enos and Barbara (Stoltzfus) King
Stevie, son of Enos and Sadie (Riehl) Petersheim
Fannie, dau. of Jonas and Naomi (Stoltzfus) Esh
Ruth, dau. of Omar Fisher and the late Emma (Petersheim)
Katie, dau. of Aaron and Katie (Stoltzfus) King
Naomi, dau. of Abner and Lizzie (Petersheim) Fisher

East Nine Points, September 14

by Bishop Samuel Kauffman

Jacob, son of Jacob and Barbara (Beiler) Zook
Eli, son of Eli and Fannie (Blank) Esh
David, son of John and Barbara (Glick) Blank
Daniel, son of John and Emma (Stoltzfus) Kauffman
Samuel, son of John and Barbara (Glick) Blank
Jonas, son of Samuel and Fannie (Blank) Stoltzfus
Henry, son of Ben and Barbara (Esh) Kauffman
Sadie, dau. of Eli and Fannie (Blank) Esh
Naomi, dau. of Jacob and Barbara (Beiler) Zook
Rachel, dau. of John and Emma (Stoltzfus) Kauffman
Annie, dau. of Eli and Fannie (Blank) Esh
Susie, dau. of Samuel and Fannie (Blank) Stoltzfus
Rachel, dau. of Samuel and Sarah (Glick) Stoltzfus

North Kirkwood, September 14

by Bishop David Riehl

Jonathan, son of Ben and Mary (Stoltzfus) Beiler
Samuel, son of Ben and Anna (Lapp) Stoltzfus
John, son of David and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Riehl
Stephen, son of John and Annie (King) Stoltzfus
Aaron, son of Stephen and Nancy (Stoltzfus) Smoker
David, son of Samuel and Mary (Riehl) Stoltzfus
Henry, son of Amos and Mary (King) King
Barbara, dau. of Elsie (Stoltzfus) and the late David Fisher
Mattie, dau. of John and Katie (Riehl) Lapp
Annie, dau. of David and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Riehl
Fannie, dau. of Elsie (Stoltzfus) and the late David Fisher

Union District, September 21

by Bishop David Riehl

Emanuel, son of John and Hannah (King) Esh
Emanuel, son of John and Fannie (Esh) King
John, son of Isaac and Annie (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Levi, son of Levi and Mary (Miller) Fisher
Aaron, son of Sarah (King) and the late Ephraim Lapp
Stephen, son of John and Hannah (King) Esh
Emanuel, son of John and Susie (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Fannie, dau. of Abram and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Lapp
Lydia, dau. of Jacob and Rebecca (Esch) Ebersol

Snyder and Mifflin Counties, Pennsylvania

Long Lane District, September 7

by Bishop John J. S. Yoder

Samuel, son of Joel Hostetler
Ben, son of Min. Rufus Hostetler
Aaron, son of Levi Yoder
Samuel, son of Bishop John J. S. Yoder
John, son of Mose I. Hostetler
Annie, dau. of Manass Yoder
Nancy, dau. of Min. Rufus Hostetler
Elizabeth, dau. of Levi D. Yoder
Emma, dau. of Dea. Christ Yoder

Church Lane District, September 7

by Bishop S. John Hostetler

S. Christ, son of Solomon Hostetler
Samuel, son of Eli J. Yoder
Samuel, son of Rudy S. Yoder
Naomi, dau. of Christ Hostetler
Rachel, dau. of Min, Jacob Hostetler
Franey, dau. of Eli J. Yoder
Dennie, dau. of Min. Jacob Hostetler

McClure District, September 14

by Bishop S. John Hostetler

Rudy, son of John Speicher
Rufus, son of Noah A. Yoder
Michael, son of Joas Speicher
Emma, dau. of Bishop S. John Hostetler
Susan, dau. of John Speicher

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Lower Middle District, September 7

by Bishop Joshua Renno

Joshua, son of Crist and Leah Renno
Samuel, son of Rebecca and the late David Swarey
Barbara, dau. of Enos and Lizzie Peachey
Annie, dau. of Crist and Leah Renno
Hettie, dau. of Rufus and the late Elizabeth Peachey
Lena, dau. of Israel and Katie Peachey
Rebecca, dau. of Rebecca and the late David Swarey

Upper District, September 7

by Bishop Emanuel Peachey

Jacob, son of Jesse and Nancy Peachey
David, son of Stephen and Nancy Swarey
Jacob, son of Joseph and Sylvia Peachey
David, son of Pre. Kore and Elizabeth Yoder
Mary, dau. of Joseph and Susie Detweiler
Mattie, dau. of Noah and Katie Detweiler
Mattie, dau. of Stephen and Nancy Swarey
Sadie, dau. of Joseph and Sylvia Peachey
Miriam, dau. of Pre. Kore and Elizabeth Yoder

BAPTISMS, Continued

Somerset County, Pennsylvania
Lower District, August 31
by Bishop Bernie A. Yoder
James, son of the late Paul and Katie Beachy
Amos, son of Joe A. and Katie Yoder
Clarence, son of David and Effie Beachy
Noah, son of Roy and Amanda Kinsinger
Upper District, September 7
by Bishop Albert Brenneman
Henry, son of Noah and Annie Fisher
Joe, son of Sam and Dora Peachey
David, son of Alvin and Susie Peachey

Geauga County, Ohio
September 7, by Bishop Melvin M. Miller
Andy, son of Ervin A. Bylers
Esther, dau. of John H. Weavers
September 14, by Bishop Melvin M. Miller
Freeman, son of Noah N, Gingerich
September 28, by Bishop John U, Miller
Fannie and Ada, dau. of John J.. And Emma (Wengard) Shrock
Catherine, dau. of Ben E. and Mary (Miller) Byler

Holmes County, Ohio
September 7, in JonasKeim District
by Bishop Jonas Borntrager
Nelson, son of John Weavers
John, son of Wayne A. Miller
Esther, dau. of Monroe L. Mast
September 7, in John Frey District
by Bishop Andy M. Miller
Edna, dau. of Jonas and Mabel Raber
Katie, dau. of Levi and Mary Ann Miller
Mary Ann, dau. of Mose and Anna Yoder
Roy, son of Levi and Clara Raber
in Henry Miller District
by Bishop Andy Weaver
Eli, son of Henry and Esther Miller
Anna, dau. of Abe and Fannie Miller
in Roy Miller District
Abe, , son of Andy and Mattie Yoder
Ura, son of Ura A. Troyer
Dena, dau. of Sam Bowman
September 7, in Joe Hershberger District
Fred, son of Abe and the late Anna (Mast) Raber
Jonas, son of Neal and Katie (Yoder) Schlabach
Levi, son of Joe and Edna (Mast) Miller
Paul, son of Monroe and Anna (Miller) Miller
Dena, dau. of Monroe and Anna (Miller) Miller
Mary, dau. of Dea. Roy and Amanda Miller
Mary, dau. of Sam and Barbara (Miller) Miller
Mary, dau. of Sam and Lizzie (Yoder) Yoder
Wilma, dau. of Emanuel and Vema Miller
Clara, dau. of Pre. Lester and Fannie Erb
Sadie, dau. of Enos and Nancy (Miller) Raber
August 31, in Roman J.. D.. Miller District
John, son of Pre. Eli and Emma Yoder
Mary, dau. of Albert and Vema (Mast) Raber
September 7, in John C. Yoder District
by Bishop John C. Yoder
Dan, son of Viola and the late John G. Yoder
Melvin, son of Pre. Amos and Amanda Yoder
Malinda, dau. of Pre. Amos and Amanda Yoder
Susie, dau. of Elias and Mattie (Helmuth) Raber
September 14, in East Clark District
by Bishop John C. Yoder
Fred, son of Roy and Abbie (Miller) Miller
Eli, son of Abe and Annie (Erb) Miller
September 21, Southeast District
by Bishop Eli A. Miller
Menno, son of Norman and Lovina Byler
Enos, son of Dan and Lydia Swartzentruber
Saloma, dau. of Eli and Susie Miller
Cevilla, dau. of Levi and Sarah Hershberger
Susie, dau. of Joni and Mary Byler
Mary, dau. of Norman and Lovina Byler
September 7, West Barrs Mills District
by Bishop Noah Coblentz
Betty, dau. of William and Esther (Mast) Troyer
Marilyn Kay, dau. of Eli and the late Malinda (Beachy) Yoder
in East Barrs Mills District,
by Bishop Jonas N. Borntrager
Elsie, dau. of Menno and Mattie (Hershberger) Erb
in Emanuel D. Miller District
Vernon, son of Bishop E.m. and Mabel (Miller) Miller
Perry, son of Sam and Fannie (Yoder) Troyer
David, son of John and Verna (Troyer) Raber
Abe, son of Henry and Anna (Miller) Mast
Noah, son of Albert and Katie Ann (Hershberger) Miller
Lena, dau. of Henry and Anna (Miller) Mast
Anna, dau. of Jacob and Mary (Troyer) Yoder
Anna Mae, dau. of Eli and Mary Ann (Barkman) Troyer
in Floyd Troyer District
Betty, dau. of Alvin and Dena (Yoder) Miller
Lydia Mae, dau. of Jonas and Ella (Raber) Yoder
Esta, dau. of Roman and Ada (Troyer) Schlabach
in Dan J.. D.. Miller District
Ada Mae, dau. of Emanuel and Fannie (Yoder) Yoder
Katie Ann, dau. of Jacob and Emma (Yoder) Mast
Sarah, dau. of Bish. Dan and Mary (Yoder) Miller
in Dan N.. Yoder District
Jonas, son of Levi and Sarah (Yoder) Erb
Roy, son of Albert and Saloma (Erb) Raber
Esther, dau. of Vernon and Edna (Hershberger) Troyer
Alma, dau. of Levi and Sarah (Yoder) Erb
Susie, dau. of Joe and Susie (Mast) Yoder
in Andy N. Troyer District
Nelson, son of Melvin and Mary (Miller) Miller
Edwin, son of Simon and Tillie (Miller) Schlabach
Lakeville District
byBishop Levi J. Miller
Mr .amd Mrs. Atlee (Norma) Miller
Henry, son of Andy and Fannie (Yoder) Hershberger
Adrian, son of Enos and Anna (Wengard) Byler
Roman, son of David and Amanda (Miller) Raber
Orpha, dau. of Ervin and Katie (Fry) Hershberger
Elizabeth, dau. of Levi and Anna (Miller) Hershberger

Wayne County, Ohio
September 14, in Andy Weaver District
Verna, dau. of Mrs .Andy (Amanda Miller) Gingerich
Mary, dau. of Ezra and Ella (Yoder) Keim
Mary, dau. of Ben and Amanda (Stutzman) Weaver
Esther, dau. of John and Susie (Miller) Miller

September 21, in Ashery East District
William, son of Isaac and Katie (Mast) Hershberger
Aden, son of John and Sarah Ann (Miller) Miller
Katie, dau. of Eli and Susie (Hershberger) Wengard
Esther, dau. of Nelson and Mattie (Kauffman) Troyer
Emma, dau. of Andy and Elizabeth (Troyer) Miller
September 7, in Orrville North District
Reuben, son of Isaac and Fannie (Yoder) Keim
Raymond, son of Melvin and Malinda (Yoder) Yoder
Ezra, son of Ezra and Fannie (Bowman) Wengerd
Sarah, dau. of Demas and Clara (Beachy) Mast
Elma, dau. of Noah and Ada (Miller) Miller
Emma, dau. of Andy and Edna (Miller) Yoder
Verna, dau. of Jacob and Sarah (Hochstetler) Weaver
September 7, in Maysville District
Levi, son of Emanuel and Malinda (Mullet) Mast
Paul, son of Jake and Emma (Keim) Miller
Alfred, son of Alvin and Ella (Stutzman) Schlabach
Emanuel, son of John and Anna (Miller) Weaver
Abe, son of Crist and Susie (Stutzman) Miller
Iva, dau. of Jake and Emma (Keim) Miller
Ruth, dau. of Alvin and Mary (Miller) Keim
September 7, in Mt. Eaton North District
by Bishop Isaac I. Miller
Emery, son of Mrs. Eli (Susie Miller) Mast
Willis, son of Henry and Clara (Miller) Weaver
Ada Mae, dau. of Henry and Clara (Miller) Weaver
Neva, dau. of Crist and Verna (Keim) Yoder
Mae, dau. of Mrs. Milan (Ruth Miller) Yoder
September 28, in Sol Weaver District
Levi, son of Sol and Katie Weaver
Levi, son of Atlee and Anna Swartzentruber
Alvin, son of Elmer and Erma Miller
Edna, dau. of Jacob and Dora Miller
Esther, dau. of Alfred and Dora Miller
Anna, dau. of Jonas and Sarah Schlabach
Barbara, dau. of Neal and Mattie Miller
Emma, dau. of Atlee and Anna Swartzentruber
Mary, dau. of Atlee and Fannie Kauffman
September 7, in Jacob Troyer West District
Katie Ann, dau. of Jonas and Katie Miller
Fannie, dau. of Levi and Ada Hershberger
September 7 , in Henry Miller District
Eli, son of Henry and Esther Miller
Anna, dau. of Abe and Fannie Miller
September 21, in Amos Miller District
Dan, son of Rudy and Lovina Yoder
Katie, dau. of Mrs. Mose Miller
Dorothy, dau. of Davis and Clara Weaver
Lizzie Ann, dau. of Roman and Edna Miller
Clara, dau. of Roman and Edna Miller
Ada, dau. of Sanford and Susie Miller
September 21, South Middle District
by Bishop John A. Miller
Amos, son of Dan and Ida Wengerd
Jacob, son of Christ and Lydiann Hershberger
Jacob, son of Mose and Saloma Swartzentruber
Anna, dau. of Harvey and Iva Hershberger
September 21, West Lebanon District
by Bishop Eli J. Hershberger
Uria, son of Jacob and Edna Hershberger
Dannie, son of Joni and Anna Zook
September 21, Fountain Nook District
by Bishop Joe D. Troyer
Jacob, son of Elam and Mary Gingerich
Andy, son of Mattie Swartzentruber
David, son of Roman and Emma Mast
Saloma, dau. of Gideon and Anna Gingerich
Iva, dau. of Elam and Mary Gingerich
Lydia, dau. of Peter and Mary Gingerich
Anna, dau. of Joe and Frannie Troyer

Danville, Ohio
Knox County District
Levi, son of Enos and Lena (Troyer) Yoder
Daniel, son of William and Elizabeth (Miller) Hostetler
Fannie, dau. of Jonas and Amanda (Hershberger) Nisley
Fannie, dau. of Tobe and Mary (Miller) Hostetler
Katie, dau. of Mose and Ada (Yoder) Nisley

Ashland, Ohio
September 28, in West District
by Bishop Dan A. Miller
Titus, son of John and Esther Gingerich
Mattie, dau. of Aden N. Yoders

Mio, Michigan
September 21
by Bishop Enos Troyer of Goshen, Indiana
Joseph, son of Joe and Elizabeth Yoder
Paul, son of Melvin and Sadie Gingerich
Clara, dau. of Joe and Elizabeth Yoder

Bronson, Michigan
by Bishop Wallace Hershberger
Jacob, son of Jacob Brandenberger
Lester, son of Fernandis Graber
Floyd, son of Ivan Schmucker
Daniel, son of David Borntrager

Centreville, Michigan
Northwest and Southwest Districts
by Bishop William R. Miller
Amos, son of Ivan Millers
Marie, dau. of Andy W. Miller
Emma, dau. of Roman Miller
Arlene, dau. of Omar Miller

Elkhart, Indiana
Southwest Clinton District, August 24
Anna Belle, dau. of Joe and Josephine (Slabach) Mast
Middle Forks District, September 7
Harry, son of Harry and Ida (Miller) Stutzman
Esther, dau. of Levi and Ada (Eash) Bontrager
Ida Anna, dau. of Harley Jay and Wilma (Beachy) Miller
Elva Ellen, dau. of Sam and Goldie (Miller) Miller
Treva, dau. of Monroe and Clara (Helmuth) Yoder
Nora Jean, dau. of Elmer and Ida (Slabaugh) Miller
West Forks District, September 14
Arlene, dau. of Roman and Fannie (Mast) Yoder
Lydia Anne, dau. of Sam and Saloma (Schwartz) Steury
Northwest Clinton District, September 14
Betty Sue, dau. of Joe and Ida (Miller) Bontrager
Betty Irene, dau. of Levi Lee and Viola (Miller) Schmucker
Northeast Clinton District, September 21
Leora, dau. of William and Lydia (Miller) Chupp

BAPTISMS, Continued
Elkhart, Indiana, Continued
Melvin Miller, Barrens District
Katie and Mary, dau. of Sam and Sadie (Miller) Wingard
Enos Troyer, Clinton District
Melvin and Mervin, twin sons of Henry and Mary (Miller) Yoder
Eli, son of Albert and Katie (Miller) Stutzman

LaGrange County, Indiana
Amos Miller, Clearspring District
September 20
LeRoy, son of Ira and Wilma (Schlabach) Mullet
Richard, son of John and Freeda Mae (Miller) Miller
Ruth Ann, dau. of John and Freeda Mae (Miller) Miller
Loretta, dau. of Ernest and Orpha (Hostetler) Miller
Lizzie Ann, dau. of Amos and Clara (Lambright) Miller
David Nisley, Clearspring District
Leonard, son of John and Ida (Hostetler) Frey
Alvin Hostetler
LaVern, son of Omer and Barbara (Frey) Lambright
Edna, dau. of Ervin and Lizzie (Plank) Miller
Ruth Ann, dau. of Harvey and Susie (Miller) Miller
Amos U. Miller, West Honeyville District
Jerry, son of Lonny and Katie (Yoder) Lambright
Martha, dau. of Lonny and Katie (Yoder) Lambright
Marie, dau. of Menno and Alice (Beachy) Yoder
Floyd, son of Ray Millers
Pete Miller, East Shipshewana District
Jacob, son of Levi and Mandy (Gingerich) Jones
Sam Detweiler
Sue Ann, dau. of Roman and Wilma (Lambright) Hostetler
Etta Fern, dau. of Olen and Irene (Lehman) Wingard
Perry Bontrager, East Barrens District
Ferman Wingard, Owen Lambright
Esther and Orpha Miller, Etta Fern Bontrager
Velda, dau. of the late Perry and Wilma (Schrock) Wingard
Ervin Bontrager, East Forks District
John, son of Andrew and Elva (Miller) Yoder
Edith, dau. of Andrew and Elva (Miller) Yoder
Lizzie Mae, dau. of Ervin and Mary Etta (Hostetler) Eash
Ervin Hochstedler, Clearspring District
Noah, son of Aaron and Polly (Hershberger) Beechy
Jacob, son of Aaron and Polly (Hershberger) Beechy
John, son of Chris and Wilma (Christner) Hochstedler
Alma, dau. of Menno and Mary (Schmucker) Herschberger
Margaret, dau. of Noah and Katie (Lehman) Miller
Wilma, dau. of Ervin and Sarah (Miller) Hochstedler
in Daniel Bontrager, South Wolcottville District
Joe, son of Daniel and Mary (Bontrager) Bontrager
Ida Mae, dau. of Ezra and Clara (Miller) Bontrager
Katie, dau. of Irwin and Elizabeth (Bontrager) Nisley
September 14, North Shipshewana District
by Bishop Tobias Slabaugh of Nappanee
Vernon, son of Samuel and Fannie (Miller) Schrock
Alvin, son Amos and Lizzie Ann (Hochstedler) Lehman
Howard, son of Homer and Minnie (Miller) Bontrager
Perry Lee, son of Leroy and Nettie (Slabach) Hochstedler
Perry, son of Chris and late Viola (Miller) Miller
Levi, son of late Levi and Susie (Yoder) Lehman
Rosie Bontrager of Arthur, Illinois
Anna, dau. of Joe and Wilma (Bontrager) Fry
Carolyn, dau. of Homer and Minnie (Miller) Bontrager
Leanna, dau. of Joe and Mary (Eash) Miller
Polly Anna, dau. of Lloyd and Anna Mae (Miller) Miller
September 7, in West Yoder District
Levi, son of Levi and Ruby (Miller) Bontrager
Esther, dau. of Harley and Wilma (Bontrager) Miller
September 14, in Northeast Yoder District
Christy, son of Harvey and Nettie (Hostetler) Lambright
Wilbur, son of Daniel and Susan (Yoder) Otto
Leland, son of Harley and Esther (Miller) Lambright
Daniel, son of late Harry and Mattie Mishler
Amzie Troyer, East Howe District
Elmer, son of Harley and Emma (Miller) Hochstedler
Mary, dau. of Manass and Lydia (Miller) Lehman
September 21 in Eli Lehman Clearspring District
Dennis, son of Andrew and Barbara (Miller) Miller
Olen, son of Alvin and Ida (Lehman) Beachy
Tobie, son of Enos and Anna Mae (Bontrager) Miller
Enos, son of Chris and Mary (Lambright) Knepp
Sarah Ann, dau. of Enos and Anna Mae (Bontrager) Miller
Viola, dau. of Harley and Orpha (Lambright) Bontrager
Mary Lou Hostetler, adopted by Dan and Lydia Yoder
in Andrew Schrock, North Clearspring District
Clarence, son of Tobias and Edna Yoder
Irene, dau. of Simon and Lydia (Schrock) Miller
Ida Carolyn, dau. of John and Alta (Wingard) Yoder
Freda Mae, dau. of Elmer and Ida (Yoder) Miller
Katie, dau. of Harvey and Ida (Yoder) Miller
Irene, dau. of Elmer and Ida (Yoder) Miller
Katie, dau. of Ervin and Anna (Miller) Miller
in Abe Mast, South Clearspring District
Ora, son of Jacob and Nettie (Miller) Schrock
Lester, son of Elmer and Ada (Mast) Miller
Jerry Schwartz of Nappanee
Betty, dau. of Harry and Mary (Wingard) Mast
in Dan Miller, Southeast Honeyville District
Perry, son of Ammon and Alma (Bontrager) Miller
Wayne, son of LeRoy and Katie (Bontrager) Knepp
Wilma, dau. of Ammon and Alma (Bontrager) Miller
Ida Carolyn, dau. of Vern and Wilma (Eash) Fry

Allen County, Indiana
September 21, by Bishop Sam C. Graber
Harvey, son of Harvey and Maggie (Schwartz) Graber
Alva, son of Reuben and Irene (Brandenberger) Steury
Rosemary, dau. of David and Emma (Schwartz) Schmucker
Ruby, dau. of Christ and Ruby (Delagrange) Schwartz

Kokomo, Indiana
September 7
Lester, son of Joe and Mattie (Hochstedler) Hostetler
Elmer, son of Henry and Miriam (Gingerich) Mast
Daniel, son of Simon and Edna (Lee) Otto

Milroy, Indiana
by Bishop Abe Gingerich of Illinois
Ivan, son of Raymond and Ella Troyer
Andy, son of Emery and Fannie Stutzman
Richard, son of William and Sarah Schrock
Perry, son of Vernon and Laura Coblentz
Esther, dau. of Chris and Sarah Coblentz
Arlene, dau. of Eli and Susie Detweiler, Holmes County, Ohio

Arthur, Illinois
September 7, in Andy Kauffman District
Ruth Ann, dau.of Noah and Tillie Herschberger
Edna Mae, dau.of Morris and Katie Gingerich

Ethridge, Tennessee
in East District
Menno, son of Enos Gingerich
Emanuel, son of Eli Hostetler
Daniel, son of Mose D. Yoder
Lovina and Sally, dau.of John R. Troyer
Susie, dau.of Ura P. Gingerich
Katie, dau. of Daniel J. Gingerich
in West District
John, son of Jacob A, Yoder
Sammie, son of Joe U.Gingerich
Herman, son of Joe J. Zook
Lizzie, dau.of Eli N.Stutzman
Miriam, dau.of Gideon A. Yoder

Anabel, Missouri
in West District, September 28
by Bishop Neal Borntrager
Aaron, son of Abe and Martha Borntrager
Nancy, dau.of Albert and Gertie (Garver) Miller

Pike County, Missouri
Northwest District, August 17
Fannie, dau.of Wilmer and Mary Kemp
Lovina, dau.of Jacob and Saloma Eicher
Southwest District, August 24
George, son of William and Susan Yoder
Martha, dau.of Will and Lydia Yoder
Northeast District, August 24
Ernest, son of Rudy and Anna Borntrager
Joe, son of Jacob and Katie Eicher
David, son of Samuel and Lizzie Schwartz
Daniel, oson of Jacob and Lydia Schwartz
Mary, dau.of Ura and Sadie Bontrager
Southeast District, August 31
John, son of Moses and Wilma Schrock

Johnson County, Iowa
by Bishop Jonas J. Beachy
Dwight, son of Mrs. Harley Coblentz
Irene, dau.of Dea. LeRoy Borntrager

Amherst, Wisconsin
September 28
Rebecca, dau.of Ammon and Susie Lambright

Blair, Wisconsin
September 7, by Bishop John Schmucker of
Medford, Wisconsin
Henry, son of William and Barbara Mast
Rosa, dau.of Raymond and Mary Schrock

Norwich, Ontario
East District, September 7
by Eli Swartzentruber
Barbara, dau. of Mose J. and Barbara (Stutzman) Miller
Martha, dau. of Dan J. and Ella (Stutzman) Shetler
Ada W., dau. of Wm. and Mary (Shetler) Shetler

COMMUNITY NOTE – Reno County, Kansas

After being in a rest home for several weeks, Mrs. Betsy Miller, 85, of Haven, was admitted to the hospital September 9th, where she was a patient till September 19th when she was taken home and is being cared for by her children at Joe Petersheims. She is bedfast and looks poorly, but her mind seems pretty clear at times.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Bronson, Michigan

A ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Troyer is in Coldwater Hospital with a leg broken in three places. He will have a long stay at the hospital.

Menno, son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno Bontrager, received some severe cuts and gashes from an accident with an auger shaft.

John, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Stutzman, received a deep gash on his chin by falling on cement.

LANCASTER CO., PA. ACCIDENTS

Stephen, age 11, son of Emanuel Esh Jr. of Bird-in-Hand R1, had an accident while cutting grapes at his home Friday, September 12th. He was using a scissors to cut grapes. He fell off the step ladder and the scissors pierced his skull remaining there till they were removed at the hospital. He was in intensive care at Lancaster General Hospital a few days because they were afraid it might have hit his brain.

Katie, wife of Jonathan F. King, of Ronks R1, was laid up with a crushed heel. She was upstairs looking after one of the children, had no light and made a misstep, falling down the stair steps. She spent a few days in the hospital.

Pre. John B. Miller, of Bird-in-Hand R1, received a broken ankle from jumping off the hay baler when his mules ran off.

HOLMES CO. MINISTERS HAVE ACCIDENTS

Pre. John E. Miller was hurt by run away horses a few weeks ago, results are a broken jaw in two places. He still has wires in his jaw but was able to attend council meeting September 28th.

Pre. Henry Stutzman was doing some carpenter work when an overhead door came down, hurting his arm which took 80 stitches to sew up the wound.

Dea. Sam M. Miller was quite sick and almost had pneumonia from inhaling too much stuff while he was treating fall grain to sow.

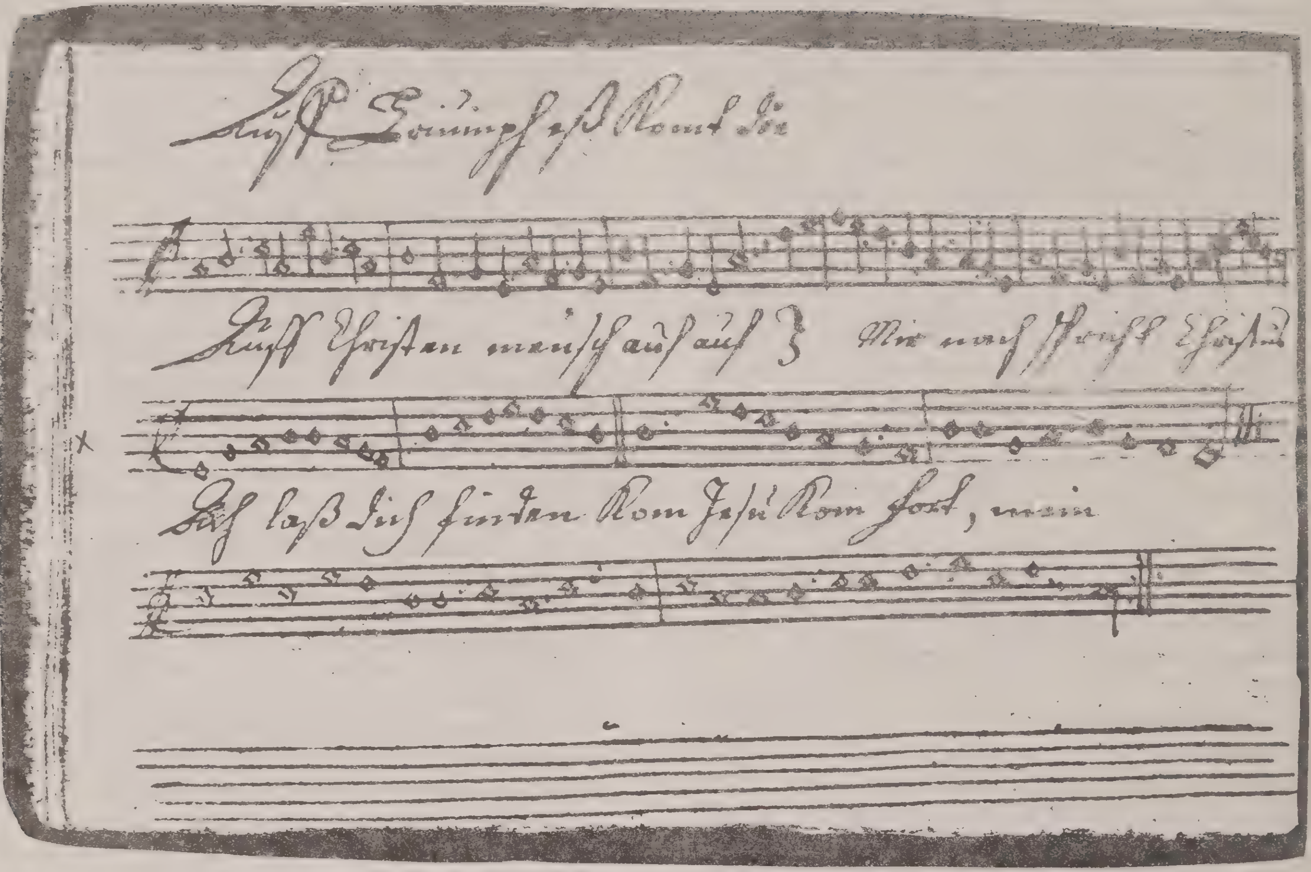
All these three preachers are in East Clark District and all are gaining nicely at this report.

MIGRATIONS

Richard Yoders from Topeka, Ind. and Lamar Schmuckers from Nappanee, Ind. moved to Hicksville, Ohio.

Levi Masts moved from Clark, Mo. to Chetek, Wis.

The following moved from St. Mary's Co., Md. to Path Valley, Pa. in September, Levi J. Yoders, John Yoders, Sarah and Mary Zook, Dave and Ivy Hostetlers; and Reuben Hertzlers moved from Path Valley, Pa. to St. Mary's County, Maryland.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Ach lass dich finden Kom Jesu Kom fort, mein
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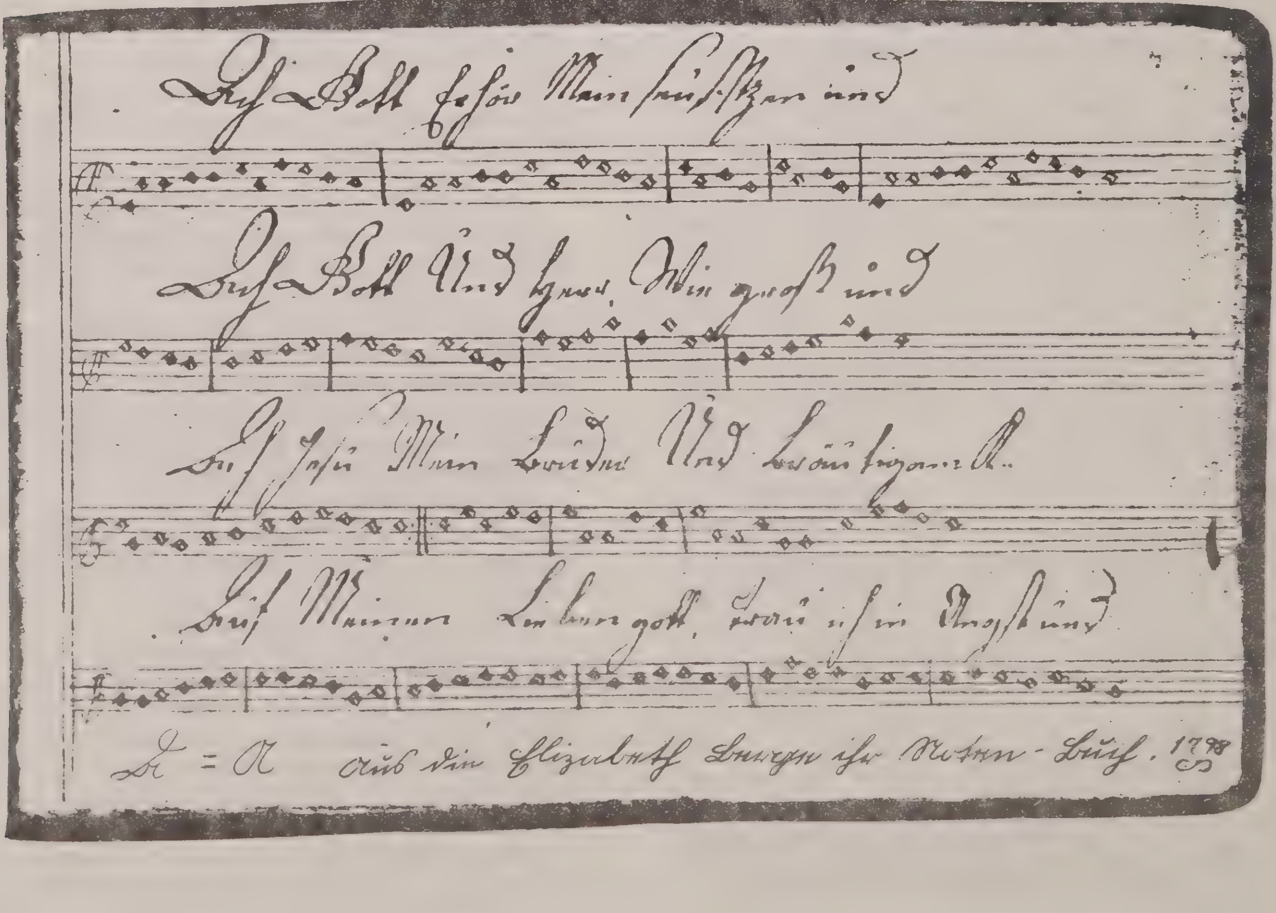
Ach Gott Erhör Mein Seufftzen und
Ach Gott Und Herr, Wie groß und
Ach Jesu Mein Freuden Und bräutigam..
Auf Meinen Lieben gott, trau ich in Angst und
D = A aus die Elizabeth Bergen ihr Noten-Buch. 1798

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE JOHANNES OR HANS AND ANNA LANTZ FAMILY

By Amos L. Fisher

Continued from last month

Next on the list of children of Hans or John Lantz of Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County is (145) Samuel Lantz (1), date of birth unknown, died in 1782 in Berks County, Pennsylvania. He married to Elizabeth King, daughter of the immigrant Samuel King of Berks County. Samuel Lantz died as quite a young man leaving two small children—namely, John and Samuel Lantz. Elizabeth (King) Lantz then remarried Christian Stoltzfus, son of Nicholas Stoltzfus. Sometime after this second marriage they moved to Lancaster County, as a bishop, to the farm now owned by Benjamin Stoltzfus, south of Bareville. The oldest of the two Lantz children was (146) John Lantz (145), born Jan. 15, 1779 in Berks County. He married to Magdalena Steeley, also of Berks County. It is not known for sure but this name, Steeley, could be the same as Staley whose progenitor of the Staley family is Henry Staley of the Northkill settlement of northern Berks County. Magdalena Steeley died leaving no children. John then remarried to Anna Glick of Mifflin County, the daughter of John Glick. Anna died in Mifflin County and is buried near Allensville. John then moved to Juniata County where he died in 1862, and is buried in a private Lantz Cemetery near Thompsontown, Pennsylvania. To them were born ten children, as follows, (146) Elizabeth Lantz (145), born April 19, 1820, married to John M. Hinkle; (147) Madeline Lantz (145), born Oct. 21, 1821 in Mifflin County, married to Joseph Kurtz. To them were born seven children. She then remarried to David Hooley and had one son. The children are (148) Barbara Kurtz (147), married to Peter Zook; (149) Katie Kurtz (147), married to Solomon Yoder; (150) David Kurtz (147), married to Nancy Yoder; (151) Jonas Kurtz (147), unmarried; (152) John Kurtz (147), married to Lizzie Headings; (153) Mattie Kurtz (147), born in 1849, married to John Z. Yoder; (154) Lydia Kurtz (147), born in 1850, died in 1924, married to Jacob Sharp, son of Christian and Gertrude (Zook) Sharp. They had four married children—namely, (155) Mattie Sharp (154), married to Siever Yoder, son of Jonas K. and Cathrine Yoder of Mifflin County; (156) Nancy Sharp (154), born in 1878, married to Reuben Peachey, they were the parents of Bishop Emanuel Peachey of Belleville, Pennsylvania; (157) Emma Sharp (154), married to Abraham Zook, son of Abraham and Fannie (Byler) Zook of Belleville; (158) Christian C. Sharp (154), married to Lydia Yoder, daughter of Christian and Fannie E. (Kauffman) Yoder (Lydia being a sister to Barbara wife of Deacon Joseph E. Peachey of Belleville). They had six children, one of which is Fannie Sharp married to James Frey of Honeybrook, Pennsylvania.

(159) Catharine, or Katie, Lantz (145), born March 22, 1823, married to Samuel King, son of John and Elizabeth (Yoder) King. He was ordained to the ministry in Mifflin County in about 1846 in the Abraham Peachey district, which was called the Upper District. At that time there were three Amish districts in Mifflin County, called the Upper, Middle, and Lower districts. Solomon Beiler was bishop of the Middle district and "Long" Christian Zook of the Lower district. Soon after Samuel King was ordained minister in the Upper district there arose some differences in opinions and Samuel King was silenced. He with his family then moved to the lower district under the leadership of Bishop "Long" Christian Zook where he was again reinstated to his ministry, which resulted in a schism which to this day is called the "Old Gemein" or more commonly called the "Byler Gemein."

To Samuel and Catharine King were born seven children—namely, John, Jonathan, Jacob, Anna, David, Samuel, and Lizzie. At the present time the writer has no knowledge of any of the descendants.

The other child of Samuel Lantz of Berks County was (160) Samuel Lantz (145), born July 8, 1781 in Berks County, died July 30, 1850 in Union County, Pennsylvania, married to Magdalena Fisher, daughter of Christian and Barbara (Yoder) Fisher, born Sept. 10, 1780 in Chester County, died April 14, 1950 in Union County, Pennsylvania. As you noticed in some earlier issues of The Diary that Samuel Lantz and his son Christian and six of his sons-in-law were some of the first Amish settlers in Union County as early as 1837.

To Samuel and Magdalena Lantz were born eight children—namely, (161) Elizabeth Lantz (160), born July 27, 1804 in Lancaster County, died in 1889, married to Christian Yost, who was born in Neunberg, Switzerland in 1801, died in 1893, he came to America in 1819 and settled in Mifflin County. After his marriage he moved to Lancaster County, about two miles south of New Holland, on the farm now owned by Isaac Z. Lapp. There three generations of Yosts occupied this farm. He also divided this farm and erected a new set of farm buildings for his son, Eli Yost, which is now owned by John Lapp of Centerville. As long as the Yosts occupied this farm they always came to the Middle Pequea church district although they lived in the Millcreek section of the settlement. Their children were, (162) Samuel Yost (161), born in 1833, died in 1872, married to Caroline Eash, born in 1835, daughter of John N. and Elizabeth (Hershberger) Eash of Somerset County, very likely part of Cambria County now. They moved to LaGrange County, Indiana and had six children. Only three girls were married, Anna Yost, married to William Yoder; Martha Yost, married to Milliard Ford; and Fanny Yost, married to Oliver Faught. (163) John L. Yost (161), born in 1835, married to Susan Eash, also a daughter of John N. and Elizabeth (Hershberger) Eash of Somerset County. They occupied the home farm as long as they lived. Their children were Annie married to Jonathan Loar, they lived in the Amish settlement in Union County for some time and moved back to Lancaster County; Christian Yost, married to Alice Helton of Lancaster; John E. Yost, married to Katie Kennel, they were the last of the Yost's to occupy the home farm; Levi

Yost, married to Mary Bowers; Susan Yost, married to John Shenk; Mary Yost, married to Rufus Blank; Amos Yost, married to Elizabeth Blank. (164) Martha Yost (161), died at twenty eight years of age, married to Jonathan Yoder, son of John and Mary (Yoder) Yoder. He married second to Hannah Mast, daughter of Stephen and Hannah (Miller) Mast of Morgantown. He was ordained deacon after 1877 when the Amish Mennonite Church started in the Conestoga. No children were born to this union.

(165) Anna Yost (161), born in 1836 in Lancaster County, married to Tobias Hertzler of Mifflin County. They also lived in Juniata County, and were with the Amish Church of that place, later Mennonite. (166) Christian L. Yost (161), married to Emma Hoffman, LaGrange County, Indiana. (167) Eli Yost (161), born in 1846, married to Lydia Petersheim, daughter of Christian and Susan (King) Petersheim of Lancaster County. Their children were Sallie Yost, married to Abner Hertzler, Elverson; Rufus, died at three days of age; Susan Yost, dwarf, died single; Fannie Yost, married to Joseph Umble, and Christian Yost of Lancaster. (168) Elizabeth Yost (161), married to Gideon Petersheim, no surviving children were born to this union.

(169) Christian Lantz (160), the son of Samuel Lantz of Union County, born in 1808, died in 1888 in Lancaster County, married to Leah Zook, daughter of David and Barbara (King) Zook of Mifflin County. They started housekeeping in Lancaster County and later moved to Union County with his parents. Just how long they lived there is not known but they had an infant child named Fisher Lantz buried in the old Lantz Cemetery in Union County in 1840, and by 1848 they had an infant son named Joel Lantz buried in the Beiler's Cemetery near Ronks, so their stay in Union County was only for several years. When they did move back to Lancaster County they moved to the farm now owned by Raymond Barge about one and one half miles south of Route 30 on South Ronks Road, where he built a large barn with a marker stone in front of the barn with the inscriptions carved, "Built by Christian and Leah Lantz." This barn was destroyed by fire about ten years ago.

Christian Lantz's oldest daughter was (170) Magdalena Lantz (169), born Oct. 19, 1832, died Feb. 25, 1863 at thirty years of age and is buried in the Beiler's Cemetery at Ronks, was married to Joseph Beiler, son of Preacher Joseph and Mary (Lantz) Byler of Mifflin County (see No. 118 of this article, page 187, August issue). (171) Samuel Lantz (169), born Aug. 11, 1836, died April 29, 1909, married to Sarah Zook, daughter of Henry and Christena (Kurtz) Zook. (Henry Zook was the son of Preacher Christian and Magdalena (Blank) Zook of Malvern, Chester County. They were the last Amish family to vacate the beautiful Chester Valley, and moved to Binkley's Bridge in East Lampeter Township in 1834. Sometime after the Zooks had moved to that locality the name of Binkley's Bridge was changed to Zooks Corner, which bears the name today yet.

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The Rickenbach Family

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taxable in Bern Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. By 1774 he was taxable to 145 acres in the beautiful Chester Valley where the farms were the most expensive at that time.

Hans Rickenbach, the second son of our family, was able to buy two farms in Caernarvon Township, Berks County before the Revolutionary War, which was rare for a man his age to buy farms with buildings, fences, and improvements. Here he had a total of about two hundred and eighty acres of prime land in the lower Conestoga Valley. Most of our pioneer families lived on land that was granted to them by the state. On this land they could live on to farm and to improve as they could afford for only a few cents an acre quit rent. Hans' son Jacob moved to Bern Township, Berks County, where he became extremely industrial for the time (see 1972 volume of The Diary, page 72).

Jacob Rickenbach, the third son, held property in Manheim Township, Warwick Township, and Conestoga Township at one time besides his last purchase in Manor Township.

Maternal Lines

Now that our topics so far are based mainly on male lineage and characteristics let us bring out more ingredients that have added structure or built up the church as a whole over the years. In spite of the diminishing family name the maternal lines have by far outweighed the loss of paternal lines. It is doubtful if there is another family name so little talked about that will bear so much progeny in Amish communities all over the Americas. In fact we doubt that many communities in America have escaped these Rickenbach blood lines. There are few family lines who have been distributed more uniformly all over. You will note in the Rickenbach article of the 1972 volume of The Diary that Marie Rickenbach of the third generation was married to a John Lapp. The descendants of this union are shared almost evenly in all the communities east of the Appalachians except Delaware, Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, and Bradford County, Pennsylvania. It will also rank among the top ones in density.

Anna Rickenbach of the same family was married to John Hertzler. These descendants have spread out to Mifflin County, Pennsylvania and vicinity early and to some points west.

Barbara Rickenbach was married to John Yoder, who moved to Somerset County, Pennsylvania early. These descendants are apread to nearly all points west.

Magdelena Rickenbach, married to Yost Yoder, also moved to now Somerset County, Pennsylvania. If one could follow the descendants of these two Yoder-Rickenbach unions they would be found in all the major western settlements and in most of the small ones except those who were settled by late immigration stock such as Adams County, Allen County, and Daviess County, Indiana. Besides these are the Troyers who stem from the Adam Rickenbach family.

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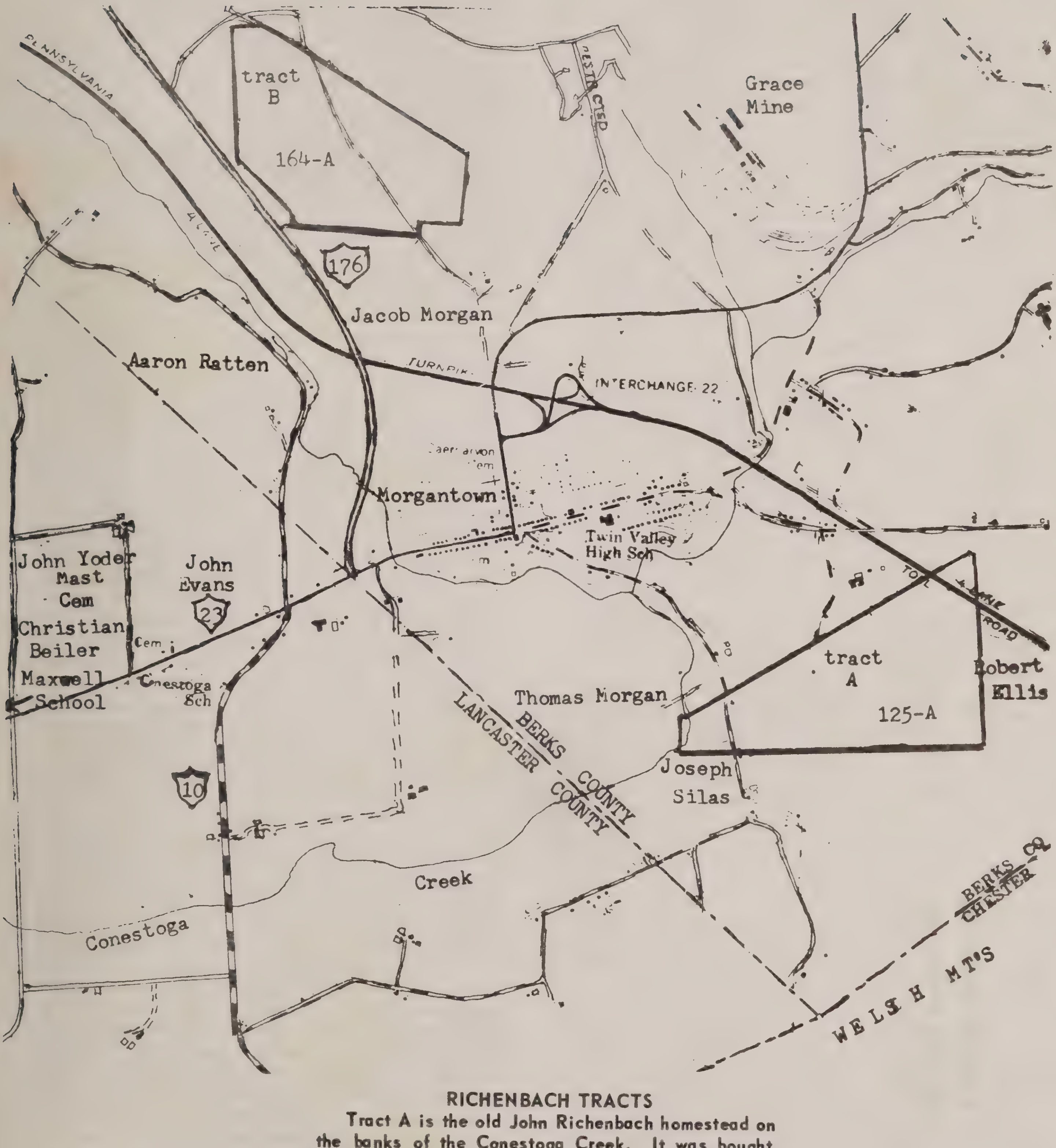
Joseph F. Beiler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Christian Beiler
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RICHENBACH TRACTS

Tract A is the old John Richenbach homestead on the banks of the Conestoga Creek. It was bought from John Light in 1772, and this Richenbach estate was transferred to John Hertzler Jr. in 1784 for 1730 lbs., good American money. Tract B was bought from the Morgans who were the founders of Morgantown.

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

The Rickenbach Family

To many readers this name will not sound more like an Amish name than Nixen or Agnew would. This happens to be a family that paternal lines have run completely out of existance in our congregation a full century ago. Even before this time or in the peak of the pioneer period there were hardly more than a handful of Amish families by the Rickenbach name. How or why even this handful have withdrawn completely from the fold at such a rapid rate cannot be explained in full. However, we can clearly see a few reasons for extinction of this family name. One reason is that Jacob, the third son of the first family, died without heirs, and one or two sons of the second generation also died without heirs. This may account for about thirty per cent of the entire male lineage of the second and third generations. Another forty per cent of the second and third generations were not stable with the Amish faith. The remaining thirty per cent of these generations, who were intact to our fatherland congregation and intermarried to well-known and well established families, became progressive beyond Anabaptist standards and beyond the points as viewed by the church in America so that most of them drifted away in a single generation. It is supposed at this writing that Joel Rickenbach, who married to Catherine Siever, was the last one of this family name to remain Amish. He was born in 1797 and was perhaps removed to Juniata County, Pennsylvania in early years, where he died. Little is known about his family at this writing.

Also of importance is to note that this rapid depopulation of our Rickenbachs did not only occur in our society but it prevailed in the entire southeastern section of the state as well. Today we have only twenty eight Rickenbach families listed in Berks County, two in Lancaster County, two in Chester Valley, and six families in Philadelphia, or a total of thirty eight Rickenbach families. In the course of ten generations we must wonder where the rest are.

This state of progression is intact in our Rickenbach blood through and through. Their walk of life speaks for itself, it is clearly demonstratedat various points and places of which we will undertake to mention a few. They had a keen eye for material gains to which they were successful in large. They were sharp in dealing with their fellow men and stressed wealth accumulation more than the average person. Were it fitting at this point we would add that our former church historians released statements that the Rickenbachs were of Jewish descent. At this writing we have nothing documental to prove this statement, but we may have characteristics, however these statements cannot be disregarded completely. Recently a Swiss historian has informed me that after the great wars in Europe and again after the Thirty Years War great numbers of Jews were placed in the regions of Basel both in Switzerland and in Germany to build up desolate conditions in the city as well as in the country. In this respect the Jews and the Mennonites had much in common there, as the Mennonites were placed in the war-torn countryside to build up the farms while the Jews were foudn mostly in the cities. We need not be surprised to find that more of our forefathers spring from Jewish converts than we had imagined earlier.

Now to review the conditions our first generation encountered in America. Our progenitor was Henry Rickenbach (see 1972 volume of The Diary, pages 72, 89, and 130 by Amos L. Fisher). According to list of Swiss emigrants by Faust and Brumbach, Heinrich and Barbara (Thommen) Rickenbach paid tax on 2420 lbs. worth of property, far exceeding the sum of the common man, which shows that they were well-to-do people before coming to America. It goes further to say that they lost their two youngest children envoyage, and Barbara, the wife of Heinrich, died in Philadelphia. The rest of the family proceeded to the Conestoga Valley, where Heinrich died in 1741 or about six months after arriving in America. This leaves six children as orphans, all of them under twenty-one years of age. Here we can give three examples to bring out the point of showing that the family was of vigorous, industrious and progressive possession. Adam, the oldest son, after experiencing the loss of his mother, and two sisters on oceon voyage, notwithstanding the risk of his own life, at the age of eighteen went back to Switzerland to collect his inheritance of his grandfather, Adam Thomman, of which he was successful after a stay in Europe of about a year. This is the only one of our fatherland members we have on record to return to Europe for money although others are known to have returned for other reasons. We have no exact date of when Adam came back to America but in 1754 he was

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LANCASTER COUNTY PA. HEN HOUSE FIRE

Nearly 12,000 laying hens were killed Friday afternoon, October 10th, in a $110,000 fire which destroyed a hen house on the farm of Amos K. King, 1464 Millport Rd., Lancaster. Amos was selling eggs to a customer at 3:20 p.m. when an explosion rocked his plant, composed of a salesroom-office and two large hen houses. He had been filling lanterns with gas at 1 p.m. and it was thought that gas fumes from the lanterns ignited from a water heater pilot light about ten feet away. The gutted plant was a three-section complex built in the summer of 1974. About 75 firemen dampened the blaze until 5:30 p.m.

GEAUGA CO., OHIO TRAILER FIRE

The trailer occupied by Widow Susan Schmucker burned to the ground with all her belongings Sunday, November 2nd. She was filling the oil stove when the fire started. Deacon Jake J. Kempf's house was also badly burned from the fire as the trailer was setting alongside their house.

TOWNVILLE, PA. ACCIDENT

Urie, son of Mike and Mary Kathryn Miller received a basal skull fracture Wednesday evening, October 22nd, when he was accidently hit on the head with a club while some boys were trying to get a coon. He was in the Titusville Hospital for a week but is at home again, and gaining at last reports.

WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO ACCIDENT

Henry S. Weaver, 31, of Apple Creek, and another man were in a woods near Cuyohoga Falls cutting down a tree Thursday, October 16th, when the cable on the tree threw him about twenty feet. He received three broken discs in his back. Was in the hospital six days, is now in a brace, and is not to ride in a buggy for six weeks.

JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA ACCIDENTS

Andy Mast fell from a roof while doing carpenter work, and received a bad break in his arm.

Wayne Bontrager, 22, broke his collar bone while playing ball.

Duane, age 6, son of Vernon Bontragers, got his right hand in a hand corn sheller and ripped the flesh up around the thumb and palm of hand. It took several stitches to sew it up.

Leon, age 11, son of Alvin L. Millers broke a bone in his hand by having a cow step on it.

Simon J. Yoder broke both bones in his arm while attempting to start an engine. He will be laid up for a while. They have three children and lots of work.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Cashton, Wisconsin

Gid Miller lost the end of his right thumb when he got it caught in a V belt. The doctor trimmed the bone off at the first joint and sewed it up. It was quite painful for several days.

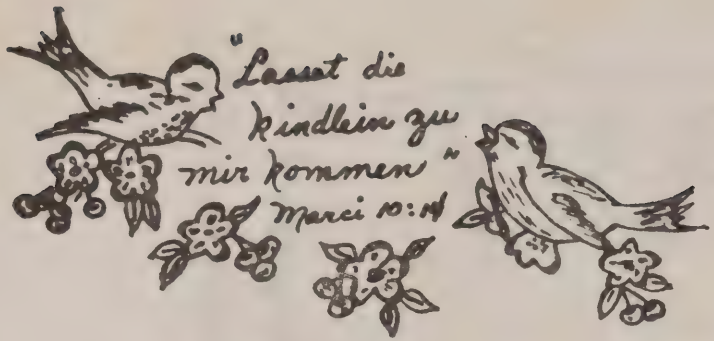
COMMUNITY NOTE – Canton, Minnesota

Jacob L. Swartzentrubers and three daughters of Dalton, Ohio came here October 2nd, to make this their future home. They moved in with Levi D. Millers for the present time.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Buchanan County, Iowa

Bishop Menno Schwarz Jr. entered the hospital for the second time October 20th. Had surgery on the 22nd to remove a cancerous tumor from his colon, and is coming along as good as can be expected.

October 23rd was the Waverly, Iowa Draft Horse Sale, where around 500 head were sold. Many matched teams, also singles, sold from $1,500 to $3,000 a head. Many Amish attended from different states.



BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Ezra E. (Mattie L. Fisher) Christiana R1 a son DAVID, October 14

BEILER, Isaac E. (Rebecca S. King) Quarryville R1 a daughter MATTIE S., October 8

BEILER, Samuel S. (Sarah S. Fisher) Christiana R1 a son DANIEL F., October 16

BLANK, Jonas F. (Sara Stoltzfus) Paradise R1 a son DAVID ALLEN, September 19

EBERSOL, Aaron (Susie Riehl) 299 Newport Rd., Leola, a daughter RUTH R., October 24

ESH, Amos K. (Lydia L. Lapp) Paradise R1 a daughter SALOME, October 9

ESH, Daniel S. (Rebecca F. Stoltzfus) Bart P.O. a daughter BARBARA ANN, October 16

FISHER, Isaac (Anna Mary Esh) Quarryville R3 a son AMOS LEE, October 5

FISHER, John S. (Mary Lapp) Strasburg R1 a daughter RUTH, September 24

GLICK, Joseph K. (Fannie F. Kauffman) Quarryville R3, a daughter PRISCILLA K., October 17

KAUFFMAN, Jacob (Fannie Stoltzfus) Christiana R1 a son AMOS K., October 4

KING, Christ F. (Sylvia Fisher) Christiana R1 a son STEPHEN U., October 14

KING, Christian G. (Priscilla Stoltzfus) Christiana R1 a son JONAS S., October 17

KING, Henry S. (Mima B. Zook) Christiana R1 a daughter ANNA Z., October 30

LANTZ, Elmer (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1 a son DAVID JOSEPH, October 3

LAPP, Levi (Susie Beiler) Quarryville R3 a daughter SADIE RUTH, October 18

MILLER, Aaron (Lydia Blank) Leola R1 a daughter ELIZABETH B., October 12

MILLER, John (Hannah Fisher) Paradise R1 a daughter SUSIE, October 28

MILLER, Lloyd (Susie Allgyer) 423 Gridley Rd., Lancaster, a son JOHN, October 16

PETERSHEIM, Elmer W. (Sara Ann Bawell) Narvon R2 a son REUBEN W., October 18

RIEHL, Abner (Anna Lapp) 2115 Spring Hollow Rd., Strasburg, a daughter ESTHER, October 4

SMUCKER, David L. (Ruth Ann Stoltzfus) Narvon R2 a son MELVIN, October 5

SMUCKER, John (Katie Fisher) Narvon R1 a son DAVID, October 7

STOLTZFUS, Abner G. (Mattie S. Stoltzfus) Christiana R1, a son ABRAHAM, October 25

STOLTZFUS, Ben L. (Lydia Ebersol) Kirkwood R1 a son ISAAC, October 2

STOLTZFUS, Daniel (Mary M. Stoltzfus) Leola R1 a son DANIEL E., October 28

STOLTZFUS, Daniel S. (Elizabeth S. Stoltzfus) Kinzers R1, a daughter LEAH S., October 3

STOLTZFUS, Henry R. (Sylvia Blank) Kirkwood R1 a son AMOS B., October 3

STOLTZFUS, Isaac E. (Annie S. Fisher) Kirkwood R1 a son BENUEL, October 17

STOLTZFUS, Jacob L. (Salome Esh) Paradise R1 a daughter KATIE E., October 5

STOLTZFUS, John S. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Christiana R1, a daughter MARY, October 3

STOLTZFUS, Samuel K. (Naomi Beiler) Gordonville R1 a son LLOYD, October 23

STOLTZFUS, Stephen S. (Lydia B. King) Christiana R1 a daughter SADIE K., October 8

YODER, Israel S. (Elizabeth K. Blank) New Holland R3, a daughter MOLLY B., October 9

St. Mary's County, Maryland

YODER, Jacob (Gertrude Swarey) Mechanicsville a daughter LIZZIE, October 14

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

EBERSOL, Abram (Mary Beiler) Myerstoen R3

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

EBERSOL, Abram (Mary Beiler) Myerstown R3 a daughter SALINA, October 2

Bradford County, Pennsylvania

BYLER, Felty (Lizzie Yoder) Wyalusing a son DANIEL, September 14

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Clinton County, Pennsylvania

ESH, Dan (Anna Esh) Loganton R2
a daughter REBECCA, September 14
ESH, Reuben (Malinda Fisher) Loganton
a daughter REBECCA, October 2
FISHER, Sam, Jr.(Lizzie Kauffman) Loganton R1
a daughter ANNIE, October 22

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Daniel (Susie Swarey) Belleville
a son SYLVAN, September 29
PEACHEY, Shem (Barbara Zook) Belleville
a daughter BARBARA, October 26
PEIGHT, Jesse (Malinda Peachey) Belleville
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SWAREY, Isaac (Lavina Kanagy) Belleville
a daughter ANNA, October 10
WENGERD, Samuel (Hettie Peachey) Belleville
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Juniata County, Pennsylvania

KANAGY, Levi (Elizzbeth Wemgerd) Mifflintown R2
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Path Valley, Pennsylvania

HERTZLER, Elmer (Fannie Hostetler) Dry Run
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Oakland, Maryland

PETERSHEIM, Fred (Amelia Yoder) Oakland
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Somerset County, Pennsylvania

SUMMY, Harvey (Rhoda Yoder) Grantsville, Md.
a daughter MARY, October 24
YODER, Bennie C.(Mary Kinsinger) Springs
a son ANDY RAY, October 26

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

COBLENTZ, Wallie (Amanda Byler)
a son JONAS, October 20

Crawford County, Pennsylvania

NISLEY, Jacob (Ada Miller) Conneautville R3
a son JAMES RAY, October 4

Conewango Valley, New York

HOSTETLER, Emanuel and Mattie
a daughter ADA, September 19
MILLER, Atlee and Drucilla
a son YOST, October 2
MILLER, Eli L. and Barbara
a son ISAAC, September 20
MILLER, Eli M. E. and Elizabeth
a daughter MIRIAM, October 27
MILLER, John M. and Gertrude
twins ANNA & HANNAH, September 18
(Anna died at the age of 18 hours.)
MILLER, Roy and Fannie
a daughter KATIE, October 17
RABER, Crist and Emma
a son ADAM, October 9
RABER, Eli and Frona
a daughter ADA, September 5

Geauga County, Ohio

BYLER, Crist U. and wife
a son THOMAS, October 8
BYLER, Eli J. (Alta Troyer)
a daughter MARY ANN, October 13
COBLENTZ, Lester A. and wife
a daughter, October 21
DETWEILER, Lester and (Katie Miller)
a daughter, October 10
ERB, Jonas (Sarah Miller)
a daughter
MAST, Andy (Lydia Miller)
a son CHESTER, October 26
MILLER, Crist (Betty Miller)
a daughter MARTHA, October 8
MILLER, Eli P. and wife
a daughter, October 19
MILLER, Mose V. and wife
a son, October 11
STUTZMAN, Robert J.(Emma Wengard)
a daughter,

Holmes County, Ohio

BARKMAN, Jacob (Sarah Miller) Sugarcreek
a daughter, October 14
KEIM, Aden (Linda Miller) Dundee R1
a daughter MIRIAM, October 25
KLINE, Alvin, Jr.(Miriam Raber) Baltic
a daughter, October 26
MAST, Emanuel (Sarah Kurtz) Dundee R1
a daughter MIRIAM, October 3
MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Abe M., Dundee R1
a daughter AMANDA, October 6
MILLER, Enos M.(Mary Troyer) Baltic
a son LEROY, October 9
SCHROCK, Eli (Ella Miller)
a son JOSEPH, September 29
YODER, Ervin (Dora Yoder) Big Prairie R1
a son ALVIN, October 1
YODER, Roman (Sarah Ann Miller) Big Prairie R1
a son VERNON, September 25

Wayne County, Ohio

CHUPP, Monroe (Edna Schlabach) Fredericksburg R2
a daughter MARY, September 25
HERSHBERGER, Fred (Lovina Miller) Apple Creek R2
a son EDWARD, September 30
HERSHBERGER, John (Lydia Miller) Fredericksburg
R2, a son VERNON, September 30
KEIM, Mose (Ada Mast) Apple Creek
a son, September 8
MAST, Henry (Alma Miller) Apple Creek R2
a daughter MARTHA, September 29
MILLER, Andy (Katie Hershberger) Apple Creek
a son JOSEPH, September 7
MILLER, Levi (Ada Yoder) Fredericksburg
a daughter EMMA, September 28
TROYER, Andy (Anna Yoder) Fredericksburg
a son DANIEL, September 20
TROYER, Marvin (Mary Yoder) Fredericksburg R2
twins ELI & ELSIE, October 17
WENGARD, Levi (Lizzie Troyer) Fredericksburg
a daughter FANNIE, September 16

Ashland County, Ohio

BEILER, Eli (Edith Troyer)
a son HARVEY, October 24
GINGERICH, Joni (Judy Coblentz)
a daughter MARY, October 27
SCHROCK, Andy (Mattie Hershberger)
a son JOE, October 16

Hicksville, Ohio

YUTZY, Perry (Rosa Yoder)
a son LLOYD, October 28

Allen County, Indiana

GRABER, Reuben (Lizzie Wagler)
a son MARVIN, October 23
LENGACHER, Jacob (Anna Marie Graber)
a daughter ROSANN, October 20

Adams County, Indiana

EICHER, Dan (Becky Schwartz) Geneva R2
a son AMOS, October 5
HILTY, Andy (Martha Miller) Monroe R1
a daughter MARTHA, September 27
HILTY, Joe S.(Leah Schwartz) Geneva R2
a daughter MARGARET, October 14
HILTY, John (Lydia Graber) Geneva R2
a daughter IDA, October
HILTY, Menno (Rosie Schwartz) Monroe R1
a daughter MARTHA, October 15
MILLER, Emanuel (Lydiann Schwartz) Monroe R1
a daughter CHRISTINE, September 3
MILLER, Joe (Edna Schwartz) Monroe R1
a daughter LINDA, September 6
GRABER, David (Katie Zook) Geneva R2
a daughter KATIE, October
SCHWARTZ, Amos (Sarah Schwartz) Geneva R2
a daughter SARAH, September
SCHWARTZ, Harvey (Carol Schwartz) Berne R1
a daughter EDNA, October 16
SCHWARTZ, Jake (Mary Schwartz) Berne R1
a daughter EMMA, October 9
SCHWARTZ Joe (Lydiann Schwartz) Berne R1
a son JOE, September 5
SCHWARTZ, John (Anna Coblentz) Geneva R2
twins SARAH & BARBARA, October 19
SCHWARTZ, John (Susie Schmucker) Geneva R2
a daughter SUSAN, September 30
SCHWARTZ, Joe (Rosie Schwartz) Monroe R1
a daughter BARBARA, October 13
SCHWARTZ, Sam (Esther Kuepfer) Geneva R2
a son in September
SHETLER, Sam (Amanda Schwartz) Monroe R1
twins SAMUEL & DANIEL, September 16
WICKEY, John (Annie Hilty) Decatur R4
a son JOE, October 26

Elkhart County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, David (Katie Bontrager) 14783 C.R. 126
Goshen, a daughter SARAH JEAN, October 2
BORKHOLDER, Simon (Esther Chupp) Middlebury R2
a daughter MIRIAM, October 10
YODER, Olen (Treva Chupp) 63509 C. R. 31, Goshen
a son MERLE DEAN, October 3

LaGrange County, Indiana

BEACHY, Marvin (Amanda Schrock) LaGrange R4
a daughter KATIE ELMEDA, October 11
BONTRAGER, Alton (Carolyn Miller) Shipshewana R1
a daughter VELDA JEAN, October 1
BONTRAGER, Ernest Eugene (Martha Miller) Topeka
R2, a daughter MARILYNN KAY, October 24
BONTRAGER, Ervin (Ida Mae Miller) Shipshewana R1
a daughter MARY SUE, September 27
BONTRAGER, Howard (Rosie Carol Bontrager) Shipshewana R1, a daughter JOANN, October 26
BONTRAGER, Orva (Wilma Frey) Shipshewana R1
a son WILBUR LEE, October 18
BORKHOLDER, Owen (Susie Yoder) Shipshewana R1
a daughter ROSETTA, September 28
EASH, William (Amelia Yoder) LaGrange R4
a son LaVERN RAY, October 5
FRY, Felty (Katie Schlabach) Topeka R2
a daughter IRMA JEAN, Septemer
GRABER, Marvin (Ruby Petersheim) LaGrange R2
a son ORA JAY, September 30
LEHMAN, John (Katie Mast) LaGrange R4
a son WAYNE RAY, September 23
LEHMAN, Wilbur Ray (Lizzie Miller) Topeka R2
a son DENNIS W., October 24
MILLER, Alvin (Emma Miller) LaGrange R1
a son KENNETH LEE, October 8
MILLER, Calvin (Marilynn Miller) LaGrange R4
a daughter LISA LORAINE, October 9
MILLER, Daniel Jay (Inez Yoder) Topeka R2
a daughter INA FAYE, October 25
MILLER, Ernest (Erma Yoder) LaGrange R1
a son RICHARD JAY, October 4
MILLER, Ezra (Mary Schrock) LaGrange R1
a son MELVIN E., October 18
MILLER, Freddie (Mary Ellen Frey) LaGrange R1
a daughter LORETTA MAE, September 21
MILLER, Leroy (Irene Hochstedler) Shipshewana R1
a daughter DOROTHY, September 21
MILLER, Maynard (Barbara Ann Wickey) Topeka R1
a son FREEMAN M., October 20
MILLER, Orva (Vera Mullet) Topeka R1
a son JACOB ALLEN, October 21
MILLER, Raymond (Christina Frye) Middlebury
a daughter INEZ MARIE, September 19
MILLER, Raymond (Edna Fern Yoder) Topeka R1
a son FLOYD RAY, October 7
MILLER, Willis (Anna Fry) LaGrange R4
a daughter LeANNA, October 12
MISHLER, Freeman (Edna Lehman) LaGrange R4
a daughter LAURA, September 25
SCHLABACH, Clarence Jay (Susie Miller) LaGrange
R4, a son ERNEST C., September 30
SCHMUCKER, Edward (Esther Raber) LaGrange R4
a daughter MARTHA, September 27
TROYER, Richard Ray (Mary Lambright) LaGrange R4
a son DANNY R., October 14
WHETSTONE, Perry (Anna Miller) Shipshewana R2
a son JERRY P., October 7
YODER, Daniel (Mary Lehman) Middlebury
a son HOWARD, September 23

Kosciusko County, Indiana
CHUPP, Harvey (Nancy Mast) Nappanee R2
a son GLEN DALE, October 3
HOCHSTETLER, Ura (Miriam Miller) Nappanee R2
a son DAVID LEON, October 24
SCHMUCKER, Marion (Freida Miller) Nappanee R 2
a daughter ELAINE JOY, October 1

Orange County, Indiana
BONTRAGER, Ora (Lydia Gingerich) Orleans
a son ORA, JR., October 9
GINGERICH, Rudy (Winifred Beachy) Paoli
a daughter ANNA, October 18
MILLER, John (Barbara Bontrager) Orleans
a daughter LILLIE in October

Centreville, Michigan
SCHROCK, Adlai (Edna Yoder) Colon R1
a son PHAYLON, October 28

Arthur, Illinois
GINGERICH, Leroy (Emma Jo Miller)
a son ENOS, October 21
HELMUTH, Chris (Dorothy Herschberger)
a son VERNON EUGENE, October 15
MILLER, Dennis (Mary Ellen Bontrager)
a daughter ROSE ANNA, October 8
MILLER, Omer (Nancy Yoder)
a son DOUGLAS EUGENE, October 8
OTTO, William (Dorothy Gingerich)
a son MARLIN, October 3
SCHROCK, Owen (Katieann Diener)
a son LARRY EUGENE, October 30
STUTZMAN, Marvin (Sarah Herschberger)
a daughter ELIZABETH, October
YODER, Oba (Betty Miller)
a daughter WILMA, October 29

Guthrie, Kentucky
YODER, Melvin (Mattie Hochstetler) Guthrie R2
a son KEVIN, October 29

Reno County, Kansas
YODER, Thomas Jay (Vera Petersheim) Haven
a daughter LEORA ANN, October 22

Marshfield, Missouri
KUHNS, Mr. and Mrs. Lester, Marshfield R1
a son LUKE, October 11
STUTZMAN, Mr. and Mrs. Hermon, Elkland R1
a daughter MARTHA FERN, October 12

Audrain County, Missouri
GINGERICH, Eli (Mary Yoder) Clark
a daughter MARY, October 4
MILLER, Joni (Lizzie Shetler) Clark
a son DANNIE, October 20

Jamesport, Missouri
GINGERICH, Fred, Jr. (Miriam Yoder)
a son REUBEN, September 27
MAST, Amos (Wilma Ropp)
a son JOSEPH, September 28
MILLER, Urie (Martha Graber)
a daughter KATIE, October 6

Seymour, Missouri
EICHER, Petie (Annie Schmucker) Seymour R1
a daughter SARAH, October 28

Mitchell County, Iowa
MILLER, Sammie (Lydia Borntreger) McIntire
a son SAMMIE, JR., October 9

Johnson County, Iowa
YODER, Cephas (Emma Yoder)
a daughter BETTY SUE, October 4
YODER, Robert (Phoebe Miller)
a son NATHAN, October 14

Buchanan County, Iowa
YODER, Daniel (Sara Kauffman) Hazleton
a daughter MIRIAM, September 29

Medford, Wisconsin
BORNTREGER, Ammon (Mary B. Borntrager) Medford
a daughter EMMA, in October
SCHROCK, Joe (Mattie Petersheim)
a daughter MARY ANN, in October

Cashton, Wisconsin
MAST, Dannie (Barbara Miller)
a son ANDY, October 27
SCHMUCKER, Daniel (Amelia Hochstetler)
a daughter FANNIE, October 29

Blair, Wisconsin
LAMBRIGHT, Perry (Fannie Mast) Blair R1
a daughter ERMA, September 30

Amherst, Wisconsin
SCHMUCKER, Emmon (Edna Yoder)
a daughter MARTHA, October 2

Lucknow, Ontario, Canada
STUTZMAN, Dan (Mary Stutzman)
a daughter LYDIA, September 27

COMMUNITY NOTES – Lancaster County, Pa.

Isaac Lapp Jr., 29, Ronks R1, spent over two weeks in Lancaster General Hospital recovering from a head tumor operation which he had October 23rd. He seems to be getting along real well.

Rachel, age 14, daughter of Widow Sarah Lapp of Quarryville R2, is in very serious condition in the Lancaster General Hospital trying to recover from a brain tumor operation which she had October 31st. Doctors say she has a long way to recovery.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Wayne County, Ohio

Anna D., age 31, daughter of Dan and Lizzie Hershberger, of Apple Creek, who is a heart patient, had a heart spell in September and was in the Canton Hospital for two weeks. After she was at home a week she had to return to the hospital for blood and an operation on her arm. She was in intensive care for a week under ozygen, but is at home again.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Haven, Kansas

Levi Knepp, 45, of Haven, had a heart attack October 6th and a second attack October 9th. He is in the hospital at Hutchinson, hoping to be released Saturday, November 1st.

In meines vaters
hause sind viele
wohnungen Joh 14:2

OBITUARIES

COBLENTZ, Mrs. Ida, 48, of Star Rt., Millersburg, O.

died Sunday afternoon, Oct. 19, in Pomerene Memorial Hospital following a long illness. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of Ben E. and the late Drusilla (Troyer) Troyer. Surviving are her husband, Willis J. Coblentz, whom she married in 1949; her father; three sons and two daughters, Wayne W. and Esther Marie of the home, Glen W. of Star Route and Ben W. and Mrs. Ivan (Sue) Yoder of R5, Millersburg; a sister, Mrs. Alvin Yoder of Star Route, Millersburg, and six grandchildren. A brother and sister also preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Oct. 22, at 9:30 a.m. in the home of Henry M. Yoder of Star Route, Millersburg, by Bishop Atlee E. Miller. Burial was in Raber Cemetery in Walnut Creek Twp.

FISHER, Miriam G., 3 Mo., Ronks R1, Pa.

daughter of Ammon F. and Rebecca (. (Glick) Fisher, died at home at 1:35 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, at the age of 3 mo. and 6 days. She had been under a physician's care. Had started with a light cold about four days before her death, but was very patient and always had a nice smile. Surviving besides her parents are two brothers, Abner and Ammon, and a sister, Malinda, all at home; paternal grandparents, Christian M. and Emma (Fisher) Fisher, Ronks R1; maternal grandparents, Abner S. and Hannah (King) Glick, Christiana R1, and a maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Malinda King, Bird-in-Hand R1.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Oct. 29th, at 1 p.m. by Elam K. King and Christ R. Petersheim; Hymn No. 10, page 478 read by Dea. Daniel L. Stoltzfus; Burial in Beiler's Cemetery, Hymn No. 358, page 378 read by Joseph S. Fisher, abschied by Levi H. Fisher.

GLICK, Christ A., 70, Gap R1, Pa.

died Sunday morning, Oct. 5th, at Lancaster General Hospital where he had been admitted Saturday afternoon. He was under a doctor's care for some time and died from complications of Diabetes. Born in Salisbury Township, he was a son of the late Christian B. and Emma (Kurtz) Glick. Surviving are his wife, Sarah (Stoltzfus) Glick, and the following children, Samuel B., Kinzers R1; Emma Mae, wife of Amos B. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2; John U. of Kinzers R1; Eli S., Santa Ana, El Salvador, Central America; Edward S., Gap R1; and Anna S., wife of Stephen J. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2; 22 grandchildren, and a sister, Katie, wife of David S. Esh, Gordonville R1.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Oct. 7th; short services at the house by Bishop Amos G. Esh, hymn read by David B. Stoltzfus; further services at the barn by Samuel E. Stoltzfus, and Milo J. K. Miller from Indiana, hymn read by Amos Zook; burial in Millwood Cemetery, hymn read by John F. Glick, abschied by Gideon King. His age was 70 yrs., 2 mo. and 14 days.

HELMUTH, Noah J., 81, Arthur, Illinois

was born Oct. 18, 1894, a son of Jacob C. and Lydia (Otto) Helmuth; married Dec. 18, 1919 to Mattie J., daughter of John J. and Magdalena (Herschberger) Miller. She died June 15, 1973; lived in matrimony 53 yrs., 5 mo., and 27 days. Surviving are a son, Floyd of Tyler, Texas, and a daughter, Mrs. Enos (Clara) Helmuth.

Funeral services were held at the home ¾ mile south of Chesterville, Oct. 28th in p.m., by Bishop Norman Schrock from Oakland, Maryland. Burial was in Otto Cemetery.

HERSHBERGER, Mrs. Sevilla, 79, Apple Creek, O.

died Monday morning, Oct. 13th, at the home of a son, Harvey L. Hershberger of Wooster R1, after a lengthy illness of old age and complications. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Ben E. and Elizabeth (Yoder) Weaver. Her husband, Levi J. Hershberger, preceded her in death. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Dan D. (Lizzie) Hershberger of Canton, Minn., Mrs. John A. (Mary) Miller of Dundee R1, and Mrs. Andy A. (Lovina) Schlabach of Homerville R1; seven sons, Harvey of the home, Enos and Joe of Dundee R1, Ben of R2, Fredericksburg, Eli and Levi of Dalton R2, and Menno of Apple Creek R2; and one brother, Eli B. Weaver of Florida.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Oct. 16th, at 10 a.m. in the John A. Miller home, by Bishop Abe D. Yoder. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery, Paint Township, Wayne County.

MILLER, Mrs. Betsy, 85, Haven, Kansas

died October 2nd at the age of 85 yrs., 2 mo. and 2 days. She was born July 30, 1890 a daughter of Joe E. G. and Anna (Miller) Yoder, and was married to Shem D. Yoder Aug. 5, 1909. He died in 1949. They were married 40 yrs., 2 mo. and 2 days. She married second to Perry E. Yoder who died in 1958; married third to Joe B. Miller who died in 1964, leaving twelve step children. Surviving are one son, Joe of Canon City, Colo., married to Ida Bontrager; three daughters, Anna, wife of Perry Eash, and Mattie, wife of Joe Petersheim, both of Haven, Ks., and Susie, wife of Noah Miller of Indiana; one step daughter, Deemy Schrock of Kansas; 22 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild, Nathan, son of Floyd and Betty Sue (Eash) Schrock, also of Haven; two brothers, Enos of Delaware and David Perry of Ohio; two sisters, Susie, wife of Wm. D. Yoder of Indiana, and Katie, wife of Henry Troyer of Colo.; one sister-in-law, Susan, wife of Abe Yoder of Ohio, and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Sunday p.m., Oct. 5, at her home, the Joe Petersheims.

MILLER, Mary C., 78, Hicksville, Ohio

died Oct. 9th. Born Aug. 4, 1897, she was a daughter of Chris and Katie Gingerich, and was married to Ezra E. Miller, who survives. Also surviving are four sons and three daughters, Fred of Edon, Ohio, Ora of Millersburg, Ohio, Raymond of Harlan, Ind., Edward of Mendon, Mich., Mrs. Clara Mullet, and Mrs. Levi (Annie) Gingerich of Sarasota, Fla., and Mrs. Gorie (Naomi) Carpenter of Calpepper, Va.; 20 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren, and one sister, Mrs. Tobias (Mattie) Yoder of Kokomo, Ind. Preceding her in death were two daughters, Katie and Ruth.

Funeral services were held at Amos Yoders on October 12th. Burial was in the Lost Creek Cemetery.

STOLTZFUS, Mrs. Nancy F., 66, Myerstown R2, Pa.

died Sunday morning, Oct. 5th, at the Good Samaritan Hospital after a lengthy illness of cancer. Born in East Lampeter Township, Lancaster County, she was a daughter of the late Benjamin and Mary (Fisher) King. She is survived by her husband, Daniel K. Stoltzfus; three sons, Christ K., Newmanstown R1, Samuel K., Middlebury, Ind., and Jacob K., Lebanon R1; 11 grandchildren; four brothers, Jacob F. King, Myerstown R2, Christ H. King, Lancaster R4, Ezra F. King, Kinzers R1, and Aaron S. King, Lancaster R7, and five sisters, Barbara, wife of Jacob Swarey, Ronks R1, Sarah J., widow of Moses Lantz, Myerstown R2, Mary F., wife of Christ R. Glick, Gap R1, Salina F., wife of Christ Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, and Katie, wife of Eli Stoltzfus, Madisonburg R1, Pennsylvania.

Funeral services were held Oct. 7th at 12 noon, at the Aaron K. Lantz residence by Bennie K. Fisher and Jonas F. King, hymn read by Abram K. King. Burial was in the Amish Cemetery near Reistville.

STOLTZFUS, Stephen M., 92, Gap R1, Pa.

died at 4:45 a.m., Oct. 23, at the home of his daughter Lavina. He was failing this last year but his mind was good until the end. Death was caused by internal hemorrhaging. Born in Leacock Township he was a son of the late Stephen and Leah (Umble) Stoltzfus. He was the oldest man in the Amish community, and died at the age of 92 yrs., 8 mo., and 6 days. His wife Lydia died in 1952. Surviving are four sons, Elam, Gap R1, Christian K., Bird-in-Hand R1, John, Narvon R2, and Stephen, Gap R1; two daughters, Mrs. Sadie Stoltzfus, Gap R1, and Lavina, wife of Amos Petersheim, Narvon R2; 38 grandchildren; 122 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and one brother, Henry U. Stoltzfus, Gap R1. He lived on the home farm with his son Stephen, but had been with his daughter Lavina for two weeks before he died.

Funeral services were held at the home place, Oct. 25th, by Samuel Stoltzfus and John F. Glick, hymn read by Joe Fisher; burial was at Millwood Cemetery, hymn read by David Stoltzfus, abschied by Levi Stoltzfus. Pall bearers were three Stephen Stoltzfuses and Leroy Stoltzfus.

TROYER, Abe M., 50, Juniata County, Pa.

died at Lewistown Hospital, Oct. 17, of heart failure after an illness of two weeks. A son of Moses P. and Susan (Troyer) Troyer, he was born in Holmes County, Ohio on Jan. 29, 1925, and died at the age of 50 yrs., 9 mo., and 19 days. He was baptized in September of 1943 by Bishop Gid Troyer and Dea. Ben E. Yoder in the Old Order Amish Church. He was married to Mary, daughter of Pre. Em. Miller in Holmes County, Ohio on Nov. 11, 1946, by Bishop Andy Weaver. They moved to Juniata County, Pa. in February of 1968, and he was a blacksmith by trade. He is survived by his wife, five sons and four daughters, Aden and Emanuel of McAlistersville R1, Abe Jr., Daniel and David, at home, Mrs. Sam Jr. (Susie) Peachey, Mrs. John (Anna) Weaver of Mifflintown R2, Mrs. Roman (Mary Kauffman of Shippensburg, Franklin Co., Pa., and Ivy at home; three brothers and one sister, Eli M. of Mifflintown, Bishop Aden, Peter and Mrs. Katie Lehman, all of Holmes County, Ohio.

Funeral services were held by Sam Kauffman and Bishop Levi Miller. Burial was in the Amish Van Wert Cemetery.

YODER, Fred D., 84, Sugarcreek R1, Ohio

died early Thursday morning in Pomerene Memorial Hospital at Millersburg after a three-week illness. Born in Holmes County, he was a son of the late Daniel J. and Magdalena (Weaver) Yoder. His first wife, Mary E., died in 1936, and his second wife, Katie (Kauffman) Yoder, died in 1957. Surviving are three daughters and a son, Mrs. Daniel M. (Martha) Beachy and Mrs. Henry A. (Erma) Miller of Sugarcreek R1, Mrs. Homer E. (Ida) Mullet of Dundee R1, and Wyman of LaGrange, Ind.; 23 grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 12:30 at the Beachy residence, by Bishop Milo Miller. Burial was in Hostetler Cemetery in Berlin Township.

YODER, Mattie A., 84, Elkhart R1

died Monday, October 20, in the Goshen General Hospital after becoming ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Menno (Mabel) Kauffman of New Paris R1. She was born in LaGrange County Sept. 19, 1891, a daughter of Abraham and Mattie (Miller) Christner, and was married Dec. 14, 1916, to Tobias Yoder, who preceded her in death March 31, 1968. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Henry (Mary) Yoder of Shipshewana, Mrs. Kauffman and Mrs. Ray (Jemima) Miller of Elkhart; a son, Alvin J. of Goshen; 22 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; a brother, Dan Christner of Shipshewana; and two sisters, Elizabeth Christner of Union, Mich., and Mrs. David (Saloma) Erb of Berlin, Ohio.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Oct. 23, at 1 p.m. in the Ora Miller Home, by Bishop Amos U. Miller, Pre. Menno Yoder and Pre. Clarence Yoder. Burial was in the Christner Cemetery in Honeyville.

YODER, Wilma, 3 days, Arthur, Illinois

daughter of Oba and Betty (Miller) Yoder was born Oct. 29, 1975, died Oct. 31st. She leaves her parents; one brother, Ervin; grandparents, Ervin J. Millers and Ervin J. Yoders; great-grandparents, Joe A. Yoder, Mrs. Dave (Anna) Troyer, and Mr. and Mrs. Menno Diener.

Short funeral services were held Nov. 1st, by Min. Noah E. Herschberger and Bishop David J. Beachey, hymn read by Min. Menno D. Miller; burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

YODER, Wyman, 59, LaGrange R1, Indiana

died Tuesday morning, October 14, at his home following an illness of three years. Born in Mt. Hope, Ohio, April 13, 1916, he was a son of Fred and Mary (Yoder) Yoder, and was married in LaGrange Jan. 21, 1937, to Sarah Hochstetler, who survives. Also surviving are five sons, Milo at home, Paul and Fred, both of LaGrange, Daniel of Topeka, and Wyman Jr. of Goshen; three sisters, Mrs. Daniel (Martha) Beechy and Mrs. Henry (Erma) Miller, both of Sugar Creek, Ohio, and Mrs. Homer (Ida) Mullet of Dundee, Ohio, and 13 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Oct. 16, at 1 p.m. in the home of Bishop John Nissley, by Bishop John Nissley. Burial was in the new cemetery located LaGrange County 300S and 300E.

LANCASTER CO., PA. DIENER FERSAMLUNG

The semiannuel minister meetings were held for the first time since it was divided. North side was held Monday, Oct. 5, at the home of Pre. Lloyd Beiler of Narvon R2, with five missing on account of poor health, forstelling by Bishop Aaron Esh. South side was held at Pre. Aaron S. King's in Greenland district Wednesday, Oct. 8th. Everyone was present and two from Milton, Iowa—namely, Bishop Christ Kauffman and Dea. Henry Mullet Jr. Forstelling was by Bishop Sam F. Stoltzfus.

ORDINATIONS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Benuel F. Stoltzfus, 38, Kinzers R1, was ordained minister in North Spring Garden District, Oct. 13th. He is a son of Stephen U. and the late Mary (Fisher) Stoltzfus of Kinzers R1. His wife, Elizabeth, is a daughter of Amos M. and Katie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus of Leola. With him in the lot of six were Isaac Stoltzfus, David Zook, John Zook, Daniel Zook, and Daniel Stoltzfus

David L. Esh, 32, Gordonville R1, was ordained minister in North Intercourse District, Oct. 13th. He is a son of Stephen Jr. and Sarah (Lapp) Esh of Gordonville R1. His wife, Annie, is a daughter of Stephen F. and Malinda (Esh) Stoltzfus. With him in the lot of seven were Amos King, Aaron Allgyer, Samuel L. Stoltzfus, Samuel A. Stoltzfus, and Samuel K. Stoltzfus.

Aaron S. Lapp, 38, Kirkwood R1, was ordained minister in North Kirkwood District, Oct. 14th. He is a son of Aaron K. and Mattie (Stoltzfus) Lapp. His wife, Rachel, is a daughter of Dea. Joseph R. and the late Barbara (Stoltzfus) Blank. With him in the lot of five were David King, John Lapp, Samuel Beiler and Aquilla Riehl.

Isaac Blank, 26, Kinzers R1, was ordained minister in Millwood District, Oct. 14th. He is a son of Moses K. and Fannie (Kauffman) Blank. His wife, Ada, is a daughter of John S. and Rebecca (Miller) Lapp. With him in the lot of five were Christ King, Jonas Fisher, Elam Stoltzfus, and Ira Stoltzfus.

Bennie L. King, 25, Kirkwood R1, was ordained deacon in South Kirkwood District, Oct. 17th. He is a son of Joel B. and Annie (Lapp) King of Ronks R1. His wife, Rachel, is a daughter of David L. and Amanda (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus of Honey Brook R1. With him in the lot of four were Stephen Beiler, Emanuel King, and Levi F. Stoltzfus.

Amos L. Beiler, 27, Narvon R2, was ordained minister in Lower Pequea North District, Oct. 17th. He is a son of Lloyd and Mattie (King) Beiler. His wife, Salome, is a daughter of Bishop Sylvan F. and Mima (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus of Gordonville R1. With him in the lot of five were Aaron Ebersol, Leon Ebersol, Ephraim Stoltzfus, and David Beiler.

Daniel B. Fisher, 35, Paradise R1, was ordained minister in West Georgetown District, Oct. 17th. He is a son of Christian E. and Elizabeth (Beiler) Fisher, Paradise R1. His wife, Lizzie, is a daughter of Pre. Gideon B. and the late Lizzie (Fisher) Lapp, Ronks R1. With him in the lot of nine were John B. Fisher, John King, Jacob Stoltzfus, Jacob Esh, Levi Stoltzfoos, Joel Glick, John Lapp, and Abner Esh.

Elam B. Stoltzfus, 40, Gap R1, was ordained minister in Gap District, Oct. 17th. He is a son of Abram P. and Elizabeth (Beiler) Stoltzfus. His wife, Arie, is a daughter of Bishop Sam F. and Barbara (Fisher) Stoltzfus. With him in the lot of seven were Elam King, David Zook, Jonathan King, Ephraim Miller, Amos Stoltzfus Jr., and Elam Stoltzfus.

Samuel J. Esh, 39, Paradise R1, was ordained deacon in Georgetown North District, Oct. 19th. He is a son of Christian F. and Sarah (Fisher) Esh, Narvon R2. His wife, Malinda, is a daughter of Gideon L. and the late Mary (King) Fisher, Ronks R1. With him in the lot of nine were Elam Beiler, Melvin Petersheim, Daniel Petersheim, John Petersheim, Enos King, Levi King, Ira Beiler, and Reuben Fisher.

Centre County, Pennsylvania

Eli M. Beiler, 35, Centre Hall R1, was ordained deacon in West Brush Valley District, Oct. 12th. He is a son of Jacob E. and Mary (Miller) Beiler, and is married to Mary, daughter of John and Sadie Glick.

Abner K. King, 40, Rebersburg R1, was ordained minister in East Brush Valley District, Oct. 18th. He is a son of Lizzie and the late Jonas King, and is married to Ruth, daughter of Fannie and the late Amos S. Fisher.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Harry D. Troyer was ordained minister Oct. 25th. He is a son of Daniel J. and Mattie (Beechy) Troyer.

Franklin County, Pennsylvania

Benjamin A. Fisher, 39, Newburg R1, was ordained deacon in West Cumberland Valley District, Oct. 14th. He is a son of Barbara (Esh) and the late John K. Fisher, and is married to Lydia, daughter of David S. and Hannah (Beiler) King. With him in the lot were Eli S. Byler and Roman Kauffman.

Geauga County, Ohio

Joe D. Kurtz, 41, was ordained minister, Oct. 5th. He is a son of the late Dan J. Kurtzes, and is married to Malinda, daughter of Bishop Elmer A. Miller.

Dan J. Byler, 31, was ordained minister in the Bishop Elmer A. Miller District, Oct. 18th. He is a son of Jake J. and Anna (Byler) Byler, and is married to a daughter of David Rabers of Sugar Creek.

Val N. Gingerich, 52, was ordained bishop, Oct. 18th. He is a son of the late Noah B. Gingerich, and is married to a daughter of Sol Bontragers.

Roman E. Mullet, 31, was ordained deacon in the Urie J. Miller District, Oct. 18th. He is a son of Elmer and Mary (Hershberger) Mullet.

Jake J. Kempf was ordained deacon, Oct. 19th. He is a son of the late John J. Kempfs.

Dan E. Miller, 57, was ordained minister in the former Enos Fisher District, Oct. 25th. He is a son of Eli P. Millers, and is married to a daughter of the late Sam Bowmans.

Albert J. Schmucker, 33, was ordained minister in the former Milo Glick District, Oct. 26th. He is a son of Roman and Edna (Hershberger) Schmucker, and his wife, Barbara, is a daughter of Wm. E. Detweiler.

Sam J. Kempf, 41, was ordained bishop, Oct. 26th. He is a son of the late John Kempfs, and is married to Nancy, daughter of Melvin R. Detweilers.

Wayne County, Ohio

Atlee E. Yoder, 31, was ordained minister in the Jacob Troyer East District in October. His wife is Susie M. Miller.

Mio, Michigan

Joe Eicher was ordained bishop on Oct. 26th. He is a son of the late John and Kathryn Eicher of Allen Co., Ind. His wife, Esther, is a daughter of Min. Eli Gingerich of Middlebury, Ind.

Centreville, Michigan

Min. Irvin Yoder was ordained bishop in North West District, by Bishop Wm. P. Miller, Oct. 19th. He is married to Rose Delagrange.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Mervin Miller, 35, Ligonier R3, was ordained minister in David Nisley South District, Oct. 5th. He is a son of the late Moses N. and Emma (Lehman) Miller, and is married to Vera, daughter of William D. and Susie (Yoder) Yoder.

Glen Lambright, Topeka R1, was ordained minister in Calvin Lambright West District, Oct. 12th. He is a son of the late Harvey and Clara (Miller) Lambright, and is married to Anna, daughter of Mahlon and Susie (Miller) Raber.

Daniel Otto, 47, Topeka R1, was ordained bishop in David Bontrager South East Yoder Corner District, Oct. 19th. He is a son of Milton and the late Mary (Miller) Otto, and is married to Susan, daughter of Chris D. and the late Lizzie Ann (Miller) Yoder.

Andrew Troyer, 38, Middlebury R3, was ordained deacon in Ervin R. Bontrager East Forks District, Oct. 26th. He is a son of the late Bishop Chris and Susie (Yoder) Troyer, and is married to Mary, daughter of Amos J. and the late Elmina (Christner) Miller.

John Nisley, 46, LaGrange R1, was ordained bishop in the late Dan M. Hochstedler East LaGrange District, in October. He is a son of Cephas and Millie (Hostetler) Nisley, and is married to Barbara Ellen daughter of the late Joni P. and Gertie (Schrock) Miller.

Elkhart County, Indiana

John Lehman, 32, was ordained deacon in West Barrens District, Oct. 12th. He is a son of Abe and Lydia Ann (Miller) Lehman.

Kokomo, Indiana

Marvin Otto, 24, Kokomo R4, was ordained minister, Oct. 26th. He is a son of Henry J. and Mary (Gingerich) Otto, and is married to Mary, daughter of Pre. Noah and Emma (Thomas) Anderson. She was the widow of Ray A. Miller who died of Leukemia. With him in the lot were Tobe, Alvin S., and Raymond E. Miller, Emory A. Herschberger, and Elmer R. Otto.

Cashton, Wisconsin

Levi A. Miller, 53, was ordained minister, Oct. 5th. With him in the lot were Amos Borntrager, Felty V. Borntrager, Aden Yoder, Sam Miller, and Menno G. Hershberger. Our two districts were divided into three as some of the houses were getting too small to take church during cold weather.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Ethridge, Tennessee

Peter H. Gingerich has bought some Burdick land joining with the north end of their farm.

East District church was divided yesterday, with the railroad being the line.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Ethridge, Tennessee

Daniel H. Byler, who had his home in the Yost Miller residence, was stricken with a stroke on the night of October 27th, which left him speechless and his right side paralized. He seems alert and knows people, nodding and shaking his head when spoken to. He remains a patient in Clarksville Memorial Hospital, Clarksville, Tennessee, showing very little improvement.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Path Valley, Pa.

A son Joseph was born to Elmer and Fannie (Hostetler) Hertzler, of Willow Hill, at Chambersburg Hospital October 30th. He developed pneumonia and was rushed to Hershey where he was put in intensive care. He was holding his own at last reports.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

A lot of fall seeding was delayed due to wet fields. It rained about once a week through October, totaling 4 to 5 inches. We had very little or no frost here in October, very mild until the 31st. Then we had 28 degrees and windy. Nov. 1 was a killing frost at 30 degrees.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for the Bareville area was 4.9 inches. Potato picking and corn harvest are late this year due to wet weather. The first killing frost was Oct. 31.

Market report: Prime fat cattle $51 to $54.75; feeders $31 to $44 cwt; fat hogs, tops $66.50, with $10 decline in four weeks; feeder pigs, Grade No. 1 and 2, $1.44 lb. with 11¢ decline; Prime veal $57 to $65 cwt; Dairy cows at New Holland was steady with last month except the champion show cows, of which one sold for $6500. Milk $9.25 cwt; potatoes retail at $6 cwt. Light fowl 8½¢ lb; heavy fowl 16¢ lb; pullets 49¢ lb; roasters 43¢ lb; capons 60¢ lb.; ducks 50¢ lb; large eggs 60¢ doz; new ear corn $46 to $54 ton; old ear corn $75 to $80 ton, $2.70 bu; wheat $3.28 bu; barley $1.80 bu; oats $1.60 bu; hay $40 to $105 ton; straw $44 to $61 ton.

by Phares Z. Stoltzfus

October had a lot of damp, mucky weather; a lot of showers with 4½ inches of liquid sunshine in all. The high was 96 on the 22nd, low 25 on the 31st. The last two mornings were cold, which really froze the vegetables, flowers, etc. for the first time this fall.

by Elam S. Beiler

Only a few farmers made any fourth cutting alfalfa. Little was made this fall as it was too short. Some are grazing it for cows. Most of the corn is picked now. It was another good corn crop except low spots (poor drainage areas) where it was too wet at times. Some fodder was put in the last week. Fall grains were sowed this month, some later than usual, but it is growing fast with warm, wet weather. We had sweet corn up to Oct. 30, as we had our first killing frost on Oct. 31.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

Lots of moisture in the ground most of the month, which made silo filling a drawn out affair. No killing frost until Oct. 31, although we did have several light frosts. A lot of wheat was sown late and corn picking only got in full swing the last week of October. Mostly warm and damp weather, except a few cold days the last week. Corn is a good crop,

Bradford County, Pennsylvania, by Clemens Nissley

We had nice fall weather with rain the 17th and 18th. The last two weeks we had Indian summer. It is getting colder the 30th with snow flurries. The morning of the 31st it was down to 18, but a clear day, warming up again. Farmers are busy getting in firewood. With the high price of coal more people are burning more firewood. There is also some corn to husk yet, which is a fair crop and dried out well.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Beiler

October was nice, a lot of warm weather; nice for picking corn, a lot of which was done. The last week started in warm and sunny. The 29th it got very cloudy, but did not have much rain. By next morning it was 20, with snow flurries off and on. Corn was a good crop, nice and dry to put in cribs.

Centre County, Pennsylvania, by David Stoltzfus.

The first killing frost came October 31 with 20 degrees. We had several light frosts in September and early October, eventually turning the cornfields brown. The mountains were quite colorful although the leaves soon fell from the frequent rains. Most of the month was unseasonably warm. Corn is being picked; is well-matured and an average yield. Some very nice third-cutting alfalfa hay was made October 6-8, and again the last two weeks of the month.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam M. Troyer

We did not have overly much rain this month, only about 5½ inches, but of this amount 4 inches fell the night of the 17th. It has been quite warm most of the time. We did not have a killing frost on Mulberry Hill yet. Our garden is still green. Silos are mostly filled and corn is being husked. The cider press is very busy these days, even in the night sometimes. One night they pressed a 4000 gallon job of organic apples, worms and all.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

Beautiful month of October, lots of October's bright blue weather. Leaves were a beautiful color this fall, but soon turned brown after the rains of Oct. 17-18. Total rainfall 4.8 inches. Low was 20 on Oct. 31, freezing all the tomatoes, peppers, and posies that were still outside. Many wild geese were seen this fall. Katy-dids were heard till the 20th. Still some corn to husk and wheat to be sown.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y. Renno

We had wet, fair, and warm weather in October. We had about 6 inches rain. With the short days and cool nights the ground was slow in drying off and wheat sowing was delayed, also not much corn picked this month. Flowers bloomed and grass grew nicely all month, as our first killing frost did not come till the 31st. Corn is dry early, but only a medium crop.

Path Valley, Pennsylvania, by Daniel Z. Beiler

It has been mild and wet this fall. No frost in October until the 31st when the temperature was from 18 to 22 degrees. Silo filling is mostly done, some corn picked. Wheat sowing was finished late due to wet weather. We had a very good growing season, and a nice fall so far.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

We had beautiful weather in October, with the lowest temperatures during the morning hours in the 40's or 50's, till the morning of Oct. 30 the temperature dropped to 26. That was our first killing frost, and it did a good job of it, too. We had a total of 5 in. of rain throughout the month. Fall work is much delayed due to all the wet weather we had all fall. Some farmers are still busy filling silos. Fields have wet spots in them so that farmers cut in deep with their machinery and get stuck sometimes. Some of the tractor farmers got some wheat sowed. Class 1 milk is $10.13 cwt.

Oakland, Maryland, by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

October has been nice, especially the last week; we have been having October's bright blue weather. A misty rain Oct. 26, but nice weather again the next few days. People have been taking advantage of the nice weather to do building yet, and corn is being picked. We had one hard frost which brought the leaves down, but not much cold weather since.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Abe S. Kinsinger

The weather has been ideal through October, very little cold. We did not have a killing frost until Oct. 31, when temperature dropped to 18 degrees, but warmed up again. People are working at corn, some picking it and others putting it on shock then put it through husker shredder later. This makes nice bedding. Late sown wheat fields are greening up nice.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania, by Dan J. Troyer

October weather was very nice, with about 3 in. rain and several light frosts at 32. It was up to 80 several days. Oct. 31 we had a hard frost, down to 20. Corn picking is about all done; still a little third cutting alfalfa to put in if it dries. Hay and feeder pig prices are down some.

Townville, Pennsylvania, by Willis Hostetler

Weather in general was real nice and sunny, with some rains now and then. We made some very nice third cutting hay. Most people are done picking corn. Milk price is $9.44 per cwt. for 3.5% butterfat test.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Fisher

October was exceptionally nice most of the month, with many warm days, clear blue skies, gorgeous sunrises and sunsets. The trees were beautiful; brighter colors than several previous years. We had from 1½ to 2 inches rain; only light frost until Oct. 27, then there was a killing frost. The mornings of the 30th and 31st were very cold. We had a bit of snow on the 30th. Men are picking corn, which is an extra good crop. Many are building new corn cribs. Apples are a fair crop, some cider being made.

Conewango Valley, New York, by Mrs. Menno Miller

We had a wet September. Silos are mostly filled. Fields were quite wet to get in. Beef is low in price, 12 to 13 cents a lb. Dairy cows are also low. Eggs extra large 65¢, but scarce this time of the year. Pigs, eight weeks old, are still a good price. No frost yet that has done any damage; several light ones though. October was a good time to get a lot of work done. Corn is a good crop. Snow flurries the 30th, a hard frost the 31st.

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

October weather was very pleasant with many sunny days and shirt sleeve weather, a few light frosts, and a few days of rain. On Oct. 23 it was 80, and not until the last day of the month did we have a real killing frost, with some spots down to 19. Oil drilling rigs have been in our neighborhood for the past few months, which makes messy fields, also the roads where they drag the mud out of the fields.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary Yoder

We had a lot of rain, over 3 inches, in October. We had our first killing frost Oct. 2. Men are busy husking corn. The week of Oct. 20 was a very nice week to husk. Some schools had that week off.

Holmes County, Ohio

Eastern Holmes, by Raymond S. Weaver

During October we've had an abundance of the traditional Bright Blue Weather. Trees have been especially colorful, with most of the leaves fallen by the end of the month. The rains and moisture we had seemed to bring out the colors more. We have had ideal fall weather. People were still making alfalfa hay. Corn husking is well on the way, with quite a few finished. Corn is a good crop. The dry spell during latter July seemed to have hurt some in fields with high stalk populations.

Southeastern Holmes, by John L. Yoder

We had some of October's bright weather, also some rainy and cloudy days, a few hard frosts, but not many high winds. Corn husking on stalks is coming to a close, but very little shredded so far. Hog and pig prices had some weak spots, but still high.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Weather in October has been mostly in the farmers' favor. Farmers are done filling silo, and sowing wheat. Corn husking is in full swing, which seems to be a good crop. Still some garden vegetables out. There were lots of apples. We had 3 inches rain in October, compared to 7 inches in September. Hog market is slightly below 60¢ per lb., about 7¢ less than a month ago. Only 2 frosts so far.

Western Holmes, by Monroe A. Weaver

Beautiful fall weather in October, about 4 inches of rain, first frost Oct. 3. Our flowers did not freeze till Oct. 31 when it was 22. Wheat fields are greened up nicely. Nearly all the corn is gathered, which yielded above average. It dried out well, some as low as 15. Hogs and pigs are lower, were too high anyway. This might hold the hog population down somewhat. Beef is improving. Corn is cheaper and plentiful, which creates lower feed prices.

Ashland, County, Ohio, by Katie Brenneman

October started in damp and cool, but we had a lot of nice warm days during the middle and last part of the month. The trees are becoming bare and a lot of leaves are on the ground. Corn is being husked and is yielding a good crop. Apple picking is almost over with a lot of crates filled, which means a good many apples this year.

Hicksville, Ohio, by David Raber

October was a very nice month with real nice harvesting weather. No snow, very little rain, and a light freeze. Corn and beans are a very good crop this year, but the price has dropped. Corn $2.20; oats $1.30; beans $4.25; wheat $3.35.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

We had mostly mild weather in October, with up to 80 degrees. The last part of the month we had some cold nights, with a low of 17. Farmers are still picking corn and plowing. Corn is selling for $70 a ton out of the field.

Centreville, Michigan, by Treva Yoder

October was nice, with some rain, and some cold weather of 28 degrees. Some folks are still canning tomatoes. Fat hogs are down to 49.00.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

We had many beautiful sunshine and bright blue sky days in October, only about ½ inch rain. Corn is being harvested, with some good yields, but there is lots of poor corn also which was hurt severely in the dry July. A lot of hay was made yet this month. Since August and part of September we had so much rain and cloudiness that it was almost impossible to dry hay.

Montgomery, Michigan, by Mrs. Noah N. Eicher

October had lots of bright blue skies, only two cloudy days. One morning we had heavy fog, but it cleared by noon. We had no frost until Oct. 26, with temperature of 26 and a killing frost. Many days the temperature was in the 70's. September had four frosty mornings, 28 to 30 degrees, but no damage. September rainfall 1.3 inches, October 0.7 inches.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

Most of October had nice fall weather. Chilly mornings, but warmed up during the day, with the high at 84 on the 13th. The latter part was more cool with a low of 28 on the 30th, which finished most of the leaves to fall.

Adams County, Indiana, by Mary Ann Hilty

The month was almost perfect for an October in this area. There were plenty of sunny days, just enough rain, and the frost held off until the 30th, giving farmers 10 days longer growing season. High was 85 on the 13th, low 29 on the 30th. Rainfall 3.11 inches. There were 16 clear days, 8 partly cloudy, and 7 rainy days, no thunder storms.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

Throughout October the weather has been beautiful. Skies are clear and blue, not much rainfall. Lawns are still green. Only a few killing frosts. Temperatures from a cool 32 to in the 70's. Men are husking the bountiful corn crop. Women are wanting to get fall cleaning done and be ready to sew. Some are already vacationg? in Florida. Some factories are on a four-day week.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

October 1 was rainy and cool, the second week very nice fall weather. Lots of beans and corn harvested, and yet no killing frost. Some still have late tomatoes, beans, and corn fresh from the garden. The third week was nice weather till the 17th, very windy and cool. The 18th and 19th rain or misting all day. The 20th to 24th nice fall weather. The last week we had a killing frost, sunny and cool during the day. Lots of leaf raking was done, but still some trees with lots of leaves yet.

Kosciusko County, Indiana, by Joni Gingerich

October was a very nice drying month for corn and soybeans. Soybeans are all over, with the exception of a few fields that were sown late, and lots of corn has been harvested. The moisture content has been low. I don't recall ever seeing so many acres of soy bean ground put to wheat as the farmers did through this area, and up to the 25th of October. As the weather was favorable, all fields are greening very nicely. We had 1.3 inches of rain; only four days without sunshine, eight days of part sunshine, and the rest were nice and sunny. Our low was 30 on the 27th, and the high was 85 on the 13th. Grain prices are not as high as they had been. Soybeans are down to $4.29; ear corn $2.13; oats $1.60.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

October brought us some very beautiful weather, and sometimes a whole week had such clear blue skies, with temperature in the 70's. We had some rain in the middle of the month, which brought some cooler weather. Farmers have been very busy since this weather was much in their favor for corn harvest. Corn crop is quite a bit better than last year, with an average of 160 bu. per acre. We have had a few frosts, but none that killed everything, so we still have flowers blooming outside. Some plowing has been done, and wheat is up and looking nice and green. Hog prices are really coming down.

Arthur, Illinois, by Memo A. Diener

The weather has been very pleasant for October. We had several light frosts, and about 2½ inches of rain, but in general it was favorable for gathering the good crop of corn which would have been harvested by now if it were not for the lack of storage. There have been record yields, but the crop is well underway, and many fields have been plowed for next year's crops.

Ethridge, Tennessee, by Jacob J. Gingerich

October had plenty of rainfall, 6¾ inches. A few specks of frost were seen as early as Oct. 3, and also several other times, but has not done any harm yet. The low for the month was 38, high 84. Feeder pigs have dropped about 1/3 this month, but are still good. Cattle are holding their same low. There are a lot of soybeans being harvested in the last week, and have dropped quite a bit. I have not seen any cotton harvested yet. Molasses cooking is not over yet, but most of the people think they can finish this week. Some have the corn shredders going and have sowed wheat and oats.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

We had nice weather during most of October. We had a rainy spell from the 15th to the 18th, totaling 4 inches. Most of the corn is shelled and wheat sown. Beans that were planted after wheat are not quite ready yet. Corn yield was about 40% in our area, while three miles north they had a normal yield. Hog prices are plunging downward, from 65¢ to about 49½¢ now. Beans down to $4.30; corn $2.55.

Garnett, Kansas, by Edward H. Yoder

October was a beautiful month with 26 fair days. High for the month was 90 on Oct. 11, and the low was 31 on Oct. 25. Rainfall during the month totaled 1.45 inches. So far this year we have had 32.80 in. rain, the average to Nov. 1 is 34½ inches. This month has had a lot of extra warm days. Early sown wheat is looking good. More than average has been sown locally. Farmers started sowing before the middle of September this year, which is early for this area, and some are still sowing. Most of the harvesting is done, with the exception of some milo and a few soybeans. Lots of fall work is being done.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by Mrs. E. E. Schrock

The weather in October has been dry and rather warm for this time of year, although we did have a freeze, but still not a real hard one. Dry and warm weather came in good use for gathering fall crops, filling silos, and threshing alfalfa seed. Wheat fields look nice and green, but we are in need of a good rain. Lots of apples and pears this fall.

Reno County (Partridge), Kansas, by Edward A. Mast

We had many clear and sunny days in October, with no measureable rainfall. The first killing frost came on the 24th. Most of the silage is cut, but many silos did not get full. Milo is a fair crop, and had many nice harvesting days. Most of the wheat in this area is up, but many areas in the southern and western parts of the state don't have enough moisture to sprout the wheat.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

Nice fall weather through October. Rainfall was 1½ inches. Not much plowing done, being too dry. Lots of harvesting was done, still some to do. Some shredding was also done. Wheat fields look nice; more was sown than usual. Sorghum cooking was completed by the end of the month. The supply overran the demand. Coldest was in the upper 20's several mornings.

Seymour, Missouri, by Menno D. Schwartz

October turned out to be a very nice monht, with a few frosty mornings. On the third, fourth, and nineteenth the temperature was from 26 to 30, but warming up through the day. The temp. was in the 80's a few days. The first three weeks were nice and sunny without rain, then some nice showers again. Trees were very colorful, grass green with lots of pasture, ponds full, which is a very important thing through here. With the ponds I make my own springs, but some have natural springs. With the creek running all the time, there is never ice for the cattle.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

October has been a pleasant month. We have had a number of light frosts, but still a few things are not frozen. Grass is still green. Cool nights, but mostly has warmed up during the day. About 2 in. rain this month. Wheat is getting a good start. Corn husking has started. Corn is well matured with about normal yield. Still some building going on.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

October had a lot of nice weather and a few good showers of rain. We did have some good frosts, which is earlier than usual. Not quite everything is frozen. We still have some sweet corn almost ready, but it does not mature very fast. Some hay was made this month, and is selling very high. Milk prices have been going up lately, up to $7.20 for 3.5 test. Hogs are off somewhat, and feeder pigs are off, too, though both are still money-makers.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

Farmers took advantage of our nice fall weather to get their soybeans and corn harvesfed. The 5 inches of rain through September helped beans to yield more than had been expected, from 30 to 40 bu. average. Corn husking is well underway, and is a fair crop, except thickly planted fields yield poorly because of the dry weather in the summer.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Borntrager

Weather has been ideal the last month. We had several light frosts, but 30 was our coldest so far. We need a good rain as it is almost too dry to plow. Corn is yielding fair to good. Beans did very well to consider the long drought we had in July and part of August.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

October's bright blue weather. We had 7 frosty mornings. Coldest was 22 on Oct. 2. We had 4/10 inch of rain. Probably 75% of corn is harvested. It is too dry for much plowing. Corn price is $2.56 bu.; beans $4.88 per bu.

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker Jr.

We had some nice summer weather during October. The local weatherman reported 80 degrees on the 14th, and there were eight days when the mercury climbed to 70 and over. The lowest was 19 degrees on the 29th. Rainfall measured 2.09 inches. Men are busy plowing.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Joe C. Borntreger

The weather throughout October has been very nice, with very little rain. A lot of corn has been picked in the last two weeks. The grass is nice and green yet. Shredding is on the go. It is plenty dry to plow on the ridges.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Moses S. Miller

October was beautiful, warm, and sunny; not much rainfall. We had a killing frost the first of the month. A lot of people have finished picking corn, with better yields than were expected on account of the drought this summer.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

We had very pleasant weather in October. We had very little rain, some cloudy days, but mostly sunny with a cool breeze. Very little plowing was done on account of dryness. Men are busy cutting wood.

Chetek, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Henry J. Lehman

October has been nice, and was up to 80 different times. The latter part was a little more chilly. Our killing frost came the first week in October. Corn is a good crop. Most of the corn picking is finished, Lots of plowing is being done, as it is just the right kind of moisture for that. Milk prices have risen to $8 50 cwt., and predictions are for higher prices yet, which will help the farmer. Hogs have been up to $55 per cwt.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

October was a nice month, mostly dry. We had showers on the 14th and the 24th. The coldest was 26. A lot of plowing was done on stubble ground where it wasn't too dry. As it is nice and dry, most of the corn is picked and cribbed, also some stalks chopped for bedding. Cows are still out on pasture or hay ground.

Canton, Minnesota, by Chriss H. Stutzman

The first day of October was cloudy with a cold wind. The rest of the month was mostly sunny with a few cloudy days mixed in. We had one rain of 3/10 inch the latter part of the month. Most of the corn was put in, which was a very good crop. The Amish farmers husked theirs by hand, while the English (or Norwegians) harvest theirs with pickers or corn combines.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William Schrock, Sr.

October was a pleasant month. We had about 1½ inch rain, a few frosts, several windy days, and a lot of nice sunshine. Cows at our neighbor's sale averaged $590, with the top cow bringing $740.

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

September was a very wet and cool month. We had hail and snow flurries on the 14th, and light frosts on the 28th and 29th. It was difficult to get the threshing finished, and the fields were also very wet for filling silos. Corn is a good crop and should be ready for husking soon.

St. Mary's Ontario, by Abe Hochstetler

September will go on record as a wet month in most of western Ontario. There was some difficulty in getting silos filled. White bean farmers had problems in getting their crops on time. October had some real nice harvest weather. A bumper corn crop is almost all hervested. Overseas sales have helped keep prices from going too low, $2.43 per bu. was low point. Plowing is being done. Fat hogs have eased some, from a high of .90 to below .80 at present. The twenty day mail strike is not ended yet.

MIGRATIONS

Leander J. Keim and family moved to Bronson, Michigan from Haven, Kansas on Aug. 1st, occupying the former David S. Bontrager farm.

BAPTISMS

Adams County, Pennsylvania
September 21, by Bishop Enos M. Beiler
Daniel, son of Moses S. and Elizabeth A. (Swarey) Stoltzfus
Mary, dau. of Stephen B. and Edith B. (Byler) Fisher
Barbara, dau. of Isaac L. and Lavina B. (Fisher) Stoltzfus

Somerset County, Pennsylvania
Upper District
Roy, son of Sam and Dora Peachy
Henry, son of Noah B. Fisher
Eli, son of C. A. and Mary Yoder

Conewango Valley, New York
By Bishop Menno E. Miller
September 14, in North District
Levi, son of Dan E. and Mary Miller
Andy, son of Eli E. and Ada Miller
Johnny, son of Dan E. and Mary Miller
Mary, dau. of Eli H. and Sarah Miller
Naomi, dau. of Menno E. and Hannah Miller
Mattie, dau. of Harvey E. and Lizzie Miller
Ada, dau. of Isaac D. and Saloma Miller
Rebecca, dau. of Joe E. and Mattie Miller
By Bishop Menno E. Miller
September 7, in West District
Jacob, son of Noah J. and Lizzie Wengerd
Andy, son of Dan A. and Mattie Slabaugh
Eli, son of Levi D. and Rebecca Miller
Lydia, dau. of Eli J. and Amanda Wengerd.
By Bishop Ben L. Shetler
September 21, in South District
Roman, son of Ammon and Verna Miller
Amanda, dau. of Abner and Emma Miller
Barbara, dau. of John B. and Barbara Shetler
By Enos J. Yoder
September 14, in East District
Mose Jr., son of Mose E. and Maryann Miller
David, son of Menno J. and Polly Hershberger
Mary, dau. of Mose D. and Lydia Stutzman
Sally, dau. of Enos and Amanda Yoder
Anna, dau. of Josie and Anna Hostetler
Mattie, dau. of Noah and Mary Raber
Mary, dau. of Dan E. N. and Malinda Miller

Geauga County, Ohio
Middlefield
Cindy, dau. of Melvin E. and Ada Miller
Mary Ann, dau. of Mrs. Sam A. Farmwalt
Betty, dau. of Dan E. and Edna Yoder
Noah, son of Reuben J. and Clara Byler
Freeman, son of Bishop Sam and Emma Erb
Edna, dau. of John M. and Lizzie Miller
Sarah, dau. of John L. Yoder
Mary, dau. of Ervin M. P. Miller
Robert, son of Bishop Elmer A. and Mary Miller
Michell, son of Ervin and Wilma Yutzi
William, son of Melvin L. and Mary Miller
Emma, dau. of Freeman M. and Lizzie Yoder
Ada, dau. of John J. and Emma Schrock
Fannie, dau. of John J. and Emma Schrock

Catherine, dau. of Ben E. and Mary Byler
Eli, son of Eli and Amelia Troyer
Albert, son of Jonas J. and Susie Miller
Robert, son of Jonas J. and Erma Gingerich
Edna, dau. of Ervin H. and Edna Kuhns

Holmes County, Ohio
By Bishop Albert Mast
In Berlin North East District
Elsie, dau. of David and Esther (Weaver) Troyer
Erma, dau. of Dea. Aden and Lydiann (Yoder) Yoder
Susie, dau. of Dea. Ammon and Ada (Yoder) Raber

Adams County, Indiana
Monroe, Indiana
September 28, by Bishop Levi H. Schwartz
Henry M., son of Joe A. Hilty Jr.
Dan A., son of Andy A. Hiltys
Harvey E., son of Levi H. Schwartzs
Emma C., dau. of Neal C. Troyers
Rose Marie, dau. of Joe K. Hiltys
Verena L. B., dau. of Levi O. Schwartzs

Garnett, Kansas
By Bishop Jerry Yoder, September 29
Jerry Lee, son of Ira and Ida (Miller) Yoder

Reno County, Kansas
Haven, Kansas, September 6
By Bishop David J. Beachy of Arthur, Illinois
Wilma Marie, dau. of Dea. Eli W. and Katie (Yoder) Miller

Audrain County, Missouri
In four church districts
Christian, son of Clemens and Lizzie Borntreger
Jacob, son of Bishop Benedict and Sarah Petersheim
Martha, dau. of Pre. Andrew and Mary Gingerich
Lovina, dau. of Mahlon and Barbara Hochstetler
Esther, dau. of Pre. Elmer and Ida Bontrager
Mary, dau. of Dea. Chrissie and Ida Gingerich
Katie, dau. of Elmer and Edna Yoder
Susie, dau. of Bishop Willie and Edna Bontrager
Eliabeth, dau. of Levi and Lizzie Hochstetler
Emma, dau. of Samuel and Emma Gingerich

Jamesport, Missouri
In West District, October 5
Ada, dau. of Bishop Tobias Detweilers
Miriam, dau. of Min. Eli N. Troyers
Ellen, dau. of Christie D. Schrocks
In Middle District
Leroy, son of Harry W. Yoders
Salina, dau. of Min. Alvin D. Masts
Mary, dau. of Mrs. Enos E. Bontrager
Elsie, dau. of Levi H. Beecheys

Johnson County, Iowa
In Middle East District, October 19
By Bishop Truman Miller
Marilyn, dau. of Ernest Yoder
Edna, dau. of Jacob Schlabach
Susan, dau. of Mark Hershberger

Buchanan County, Iowa
In Middle East District, August 31
By Bishop Menno Schwarz Jr.
Chester, son of Henry and Barbara Yoder
In South Middle District, August 31
By Bishop Jacob Schmucker
Harvey, son of Pre. Neal Lambright
Lucy, dau. of Pre. Neal Lambrights
Emma, dau. of Bishop Jacob Schmucker
Lydia, dau. of Dea. Edd Gingerich
Alma, dau. of Rudy D. Gingerich
Ada, dau. of Levi B. Miller
In North East District
By Bishop Eli Raber
Ida, dau. of Eli Helmuth
Rosella, dau. of Uriah Schwarzs

Canton, Minn.
October 29
By Bishop John A. Miller of Dundee, Ohio
Christ D. Hershberger
William D. C. Hershberger
Jeremiah J. Hershberger
Emery C. Stutzman
Lydiann H. Petersheim
Anna D. Hershberger

MARRIAGES

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Renno – John, son of Bishop Jacob and Lydia Stoltzfus, Centre County, to Molly, daughter of Crist and Leah Renno, Oct. 28, by Bishop Jacob Stoltzfus of Centre County.

Yoder, Peachey – Leroy, son of Jonas and Nancy Yoder (raised in the home of Moses and Annie Kanagy), to Linda, daughter of David and Lydia Peachey, Oct. 30, by Bishop Jacob E. Byler.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Wengard – Sam, son of Sam Y. and Nancy Byler, Dry Run, to Fannie Wengard, Oct. 14, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler, Lancaster County.

Oakland, Maryland

Miller, Hostetler – Ray, son of Emanuel and Edna (Hershberger) Miller, to Rachel, daughter of Martha and the late Elmer Hostetler, Oct. 2.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Yoder, Slabaugh – Edwin, son of Pete E. and Effie (Yoder) Yoder, to Malinda, daughter of Joe and Emma (Yoder) Slabaugh, Oct. 19.

Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Bricker – Andy, son of Crist E.. Bylers, to Orpha, daughter of Walter Brickers, Aug. 14.

Burkholder, Yoder – Dan E.. Burkholder to Mrs. Anna Yoder, Aug. 21.

Miller, Miller – Melvin, son of Dan J.. Millers, to Emma, daughter of Albert A. S. Millers, Aug. 21.

Wengard, Yoder – Nelson, son of Gideon N.. Wengards, to Betty, daughter of Pre. Lester A. Yoders, Sept. 16.

Troyer, Troyer – John, son of Dan J.. Troyers, to Rebecca, dau. of Pre. Albert Troyers, Sept. 18.

Mast, Kauffman – Jake, son of John J.. Mast, to Sylvia, dau. of John C. Kauffman, Sept. 25.

MARRIAGES, Continued

Geauga County, Ohio, Continued

Byler, Troyer – Jake, son of Andy S.. Byler, to Betty, daughter of Mahlon J.. Troyer, Sept, 25.

Miller, Schmucker – Amos, son of Clarence V.. Miller, to a daughter of Joe J.. Schmucker, Sept. 30.

Weaver, Miller – John, son of Pete H. Weaver, to Betty, dau. of John S. C. Miller, Oct. 9.

Miller, Miller – Joe, son of Simon S. Miller, to Emma, dau. of Dea. Jonathan E. Miller, Oct. 16.

Miller, Kurtz – Sam, son of Sarah (Bender) and the late Joe. J. C.. Miller, to Esther, daughter of Gid and Elmina (Miller) Kurtz, Oct. 2, by Bishop Noah Bender.

Mullet, Wengard – John, son of John Henry Mullet, to Edna, dau. of Dan N. Wengard, Oct. 30.

Detweiler, Farmwald – Freeman, son of Bishop Noah Detweiler, to Mary Ann, daughter of Mrs. Sam. A.. Farmwald, Oct. 30.

Byler, Miller – Ervin, son of Pre. Ervin W.. Byler, to Cindy, daughter of Melvin E.. Miller, Nov. 4.

Miller, Yoder – John, son of John J. D. Miller, to Esther, daughter of Freeman Yoder, Nov. 6.

Mullet, Yoder – Chesterm son of Milo L. Mullet, to Sarah, daughter of John S.. Yoder, Nov. 6.

Miller, Detweiler – Wolly, son of John S. C. Miller, to Barbara, dau. of Bishop John Detweiler, Nov. 6.

Holmes and Wayne Counties, Ohio

Bowman, Yoder – Dan, son of Joe and Anna (Troyer) Bowman, to Amanda, daughter of Noah and Susan (Yoder) Yoder.

Miller, Miller – Levi, son of Joe H. and Edna (Mast) Miller, to Martha Ann, daughter of Jonas and Catherine (Slabach) Miller, by Bishop Amos Lehman of Nappanee, Indiana.

Mast, Graber – Eli, son of the late Dan and Sarah Mast, to Sarah Mae, daughter of Jacob and the late Anna Graber, Oct. 14.

Miller, Troyer – David, son of Mrs. David A.. Miller, to Emma, daughter of Melvin and Fannie (Weaver) Troyer, Oct. 16.

Yoder, Bontreger – Ivan, son of Alfred and Fannie (Gingerich) Yoder, to Esther, daughter of Andy and Elvesta (Detweiler) Bontreger, Oct. 18.

Yoder, Mast – Raymond, son of Melvin and Malinda (Yoder) Yoder, to Sarah, daughter of Demas and Clara (Beachy) Mast, Oct .21.

Ashland County, Ohio

Brenneman, Miller – William, son of Simon and Sadie Brenneman, to Anna, daughter of Henry and Katie Miller, Oct. 16, by Bishop Simon Brenneman.

Hershberger, Gingerich – Paul, son of John and Bena Hershberger, to Mary, daughter of Dan and Polly Gingerich, Oct. 23, by Bishop Albert Keim.

Mio, Michigan

Gingerich, Yoder – Melvin, son of Melvin and Sadie Gingerich, to Barbara, daughter of Eli and Amanda Yoder, Oct. 23, by Bishop Dan N.. Gingerich of Geauga County, Ohio.

Adams County, Indiana

Troyer, Christmer – Jerry, son of Simon Troyer, Berne, to Caroline, daughter of Al Christner, Berne, Sept. 4.

Schwartz, Girod – Joe, son of Menno W. Schwartz, Monroe, to Leah, daughter of Emanuel Girod, Berne, Sept. 26.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, Bontrager – Howard, son of Homer and Minnie (Miller) Bontrager, to Rosie Bontrager, Arthur, Illinois, at the groom's home, Oct. 14.

Miller, Bontrager – Richard, son of John and Frieda (Miller) Miller, to Betty, daughter of Joe and Ida (Miller) Bontrager, Oct. 23.

Yoder, Miller – Ernest, son of David and Ada (Mast) Yoder, to Frieda, daughter of the late Ernest and Elizabeth (Hochstedler) Miller, Oct, 29.

Troyer, Lambright – Mervin, son of Bishop Amzie and Edna Fern (Miller) Troyer, to Anna Mae, daughter of Harvey and Rosa (Miller) Lambright, Oct.

Knepp, Fry – Clayton, son of Levi and Elva Mae (Yoder) Knepp, Haven, Kansas, to Anna, daughter of the late Joe and Wilma (Bontrager) Fry, Oct. 30.

Raber, Mast – Monroe, son of John and Anna (Yoder) Raber, to Naomi, daughter of Enos and Arlene (Miller) Mast, Oct. 30.

Elkhart County, Indiana

Helmuth, Wingard – Marlin Jay, son of Oscar Helmuth, Nappanee, to Katie, daughter of Sam and Sadie (Miller) Wingard, Oct. 14.

Hochstetler, Wingard – Perry Lee, son of Leroy and Nettie (Slabach) Hochstetler, to Mary, daughter of Sam and Sadie (Miller) Wingard, Oct. 23.

Kosciusko County (Nappanee), Indiana

Borkholder, Mullet – Owen, son of Eli and Anna (Lehman) Borkholder, to Carolyn, daughter of Dan and Emma (Yoder) Mullet, Oct. 2, by Bishop Eli S. Lehman, LaGrange, Indiana.

Miller, Schwartz – David, son of Harvey and Lizzie (Lapp) Miller, to Linda, daughter of Milo and Edna (Chupp) Schwartz, Oct. 9.

Helmuth, Yoder – Widower Edwin, son of the late Mose and Minnie (Schwartz) Helmuth, to Edna, dau. of Jonas and Nancy (Slabaugh) Yoder, Oct. 12, by Bishop Walter Helmuth.

Miller, Miller – Wayne, son of Melvin and Clara (Yoder) Miller, to Barbara, daughter of Leroy and Katie (Hershberger) Miller, Oct. 16, by Bishop Amos Lehman.

Arthur, Illinois

Miller, Miller – Merle, son of Sam and Mary Ann (Stutzman) Miller, to Rachel Fern, daughter of Ben and Barbara (Otto) Miller, Oct. 23.

Jamesport, Missouri

Yoder, Kauffman – Norman, son of Menno and Ada (Troyer) Yoder, to Ada Mae, daughter of Lewis and Rosemary (Yutzy) Kauffman, Sept. 4.

Gingerich, Graber – Owen, son of Monroe and Elvie (Hostetler) Gingerich, to Ada Mae, daughter of Melvin and Sarah (Schrock) Graber, Sept, 18.

Petersheim, Kramer – Joe, son of Joe Petersheim, Haven, Kansas, to Edna, daughter of Ralph and Amanda (Yutzy) Kramer, Oct. 30.

Buchanan County, Iowa

Kauffman, Miller – Amos, son of Neal Kauffman, Jamesport, Missouri, to Anna, daughter of Christ Miller, Oct. 2, by Bishop Simeon Hostetler.

Bontrager, Schrock – Freddie, son of William Bontrager, to Lydia, daughter of William Schrocks, Medford, Wisconsin, Oct. 2.

Beechy, Helmuth – Menno, son of Ben Beechy, to Anna, daughter of Eli Helmuth, Oct. 9, by Bishop George Gingerich.

Medford, Wisconsin

Bontrager, Schrock – Freddie, son of William and Elizabeth (Petersheim) Bontrager of Iowa, to Lydia, daughter of Will A. and Mattie (Miller) Schrock, Oct. 2.

Lehman, Mast – Eli, son of Sam Lehman, to Barbara, daughter of Eli and Lovina (Hochstetler) Mast, Oct. 16th.

THE CANTON, MINN. SETTLEMENT

The Conton, Minnesota settlement, Fillmore County, started in 1974. Dan D. Hershberger from Dundee, Ohio was the first Amish man to buy land. Dennis E. Miller, also from Dundee, was next, then Gideon A. Hershberger, Apple Creek, Ohio.

Dennis Millers and two girls, Dan D. Hershbergers and six children, John H. Petersheims and two girls (this being Dans' son-in-law) came here March 12, 1974, the first Amish folks to move here.

Gideon A. Hershbergers and twelve children came April 9, 1974.

Dennis E. Millers had church the very first time April 28, 1974, with Jacob J. Hershbergers and Dan M. Hershbergers from Ohio as preachers. Thirty four persons attended.

Dan D. Hershbergers had church the second time on July 7, 1974 with Pre. Jacob J. Hershberger and Pre. Henry M. Hershberger attending from Ohio.

Church was held at Dennis E. Millers for Gideon A. Hershbergers July 28, 1974, with Pre. Dan M. Yoder and Pre. Sam L. Swartzentruber attending from Canada.

Dan C. Hershbergers and three children of Dalton, Ohio, came Aug. 13, 1974.

Church was at Dan D. Hershbergers Sept. 2, 1974 Pre. Jacob J. and Pre. Dan M. Hershberger attending from Ohio.

Rudy C. Yoders, Rudy Jr., Mattie C. Yoder, Sam R. Yoders and three children from Dalton, Ohio came Sept. 21, 1974.

Mose J. Hershbergers and three children from Navarre, Ohio came Nov. 8, 1974.

Jonas M. Gingerichs and five children, Apple Creek, Ohio came Nov. 13, 1974.

Henry J. Petersheims and two girls, Fredericksburg, Ohio came Nov. 14, 1974.

Pre. Jacob J. Hershbergers and ten children, Navarre, Ohio and Andy H. Petersheims and daughter, Fredericksburg, Ohio came Nov. 19, 1974.

Church was held at Dennis E. Millers Nov. 24, 1974 by Pre. Jacob J. Hershberger. From then on church was held regularly every two weeks.

Levi D. Hershbergers and daughter, Apple Creek, Ohio, came Nov. 29, 1974.

Andy D. Yoders and seven children from Canada, came Dec. 5, 1974.

Levi D. Millers, Navarre, Ohio, came Dec. 18, 1974.

Mrs. Fannie N. Miller and daughter Lena, Apple Creek, Ohio, came by van Feb. 25, 1975.

Pre. Dan M. Hershbergers and eight children, Apple Creek, Ohio, came Feb. 28, 1975.

Peter W. Millers and five children, Apple Creek, Ohio, came March 6, 1975.

Chriss H. Stutzmans and five boys, son-in-law Dan G. Gingerichs and son, Apple Creek, Ohio, came March 11, 1975.

Marriages: Dan, son of Peter J. Zooks of Canada, and Verna, daughter of Gideon A. Hershbergers of Canton, Minn., were married Jan. 9, 1975, by Bishop Harvey E. Miller, Apple Creek, Ohio.

Births: Born to John H. and Verna (Hershberger) Petersheim a son Dannie, March 10, 1975, this being the first Amish baby born in this settlement.

To Levi D. and Annie (Hershberger) Miller, a daughter Maryann, May 28, 1975.

To Andy D. and Anna (Miller) Yoder, a son Levi, June 14, 1975.

To Dan M. and Lydia (Miller) Hershberger, a daughter Lovina, July 20, 1975.

To Sam R. and Delila (Yoder) Yoder, a son Rudy, Aug. 9, 1975.

MIGRATIONS

Sam S. and Lydia Stoltzfus moved from St. Mary's County, Maryland to Path Valley, Pa.

Daniel and Sarah Zook moved from St. Mary's Co., Maryland to Path Valley, Pa.

Widow Lydia Byler moved from St. Mary's Co., Maryland to Big Valley, Pa.

Sam Schwartz moved from Bowling Green, Mo. to Norfolk, New York, April 3rd.

The Simon Troyer family moved to the Lakeview, Michigan area, loading truck April 22. Their address will be Stanton.

Noah N. Eichers moved from Pleasant Lake, Ind. to Southern Rd., Montgomery R1, Mich., April 24th.

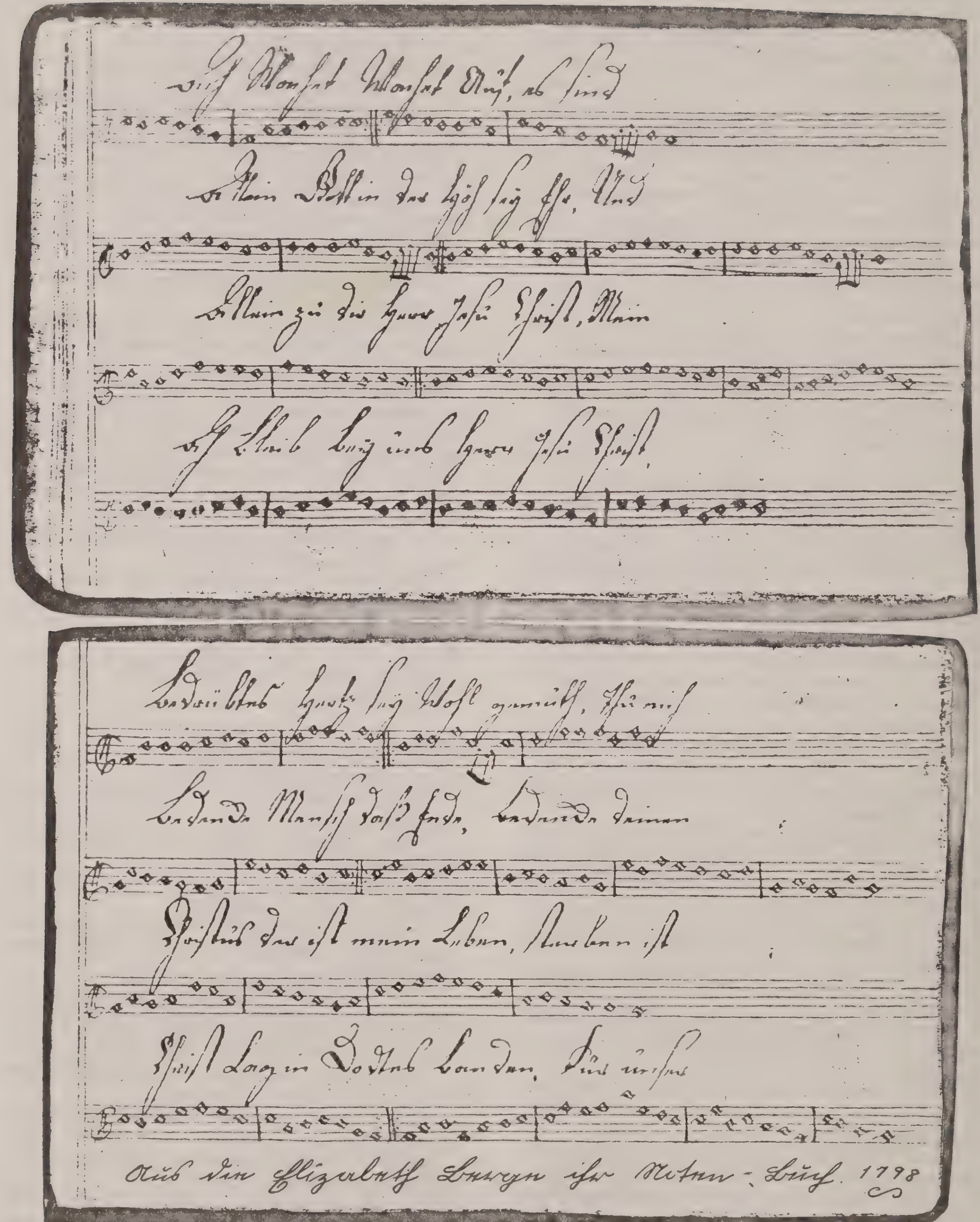
Amos Schmuckers moved from Branch County, Mich., to Dekalb County, Ind., April 23rd.

Dan N. Stutzmans moved from Mt. Elgin R1, Ont. to Lucknow R1, Ontario, April 9th.

Eli A. Masts moved from Jamesport, Missouri to Windson, Missouri, April 2nd.

Henry J. Troyers moved from New Glarus, Wis. to Jamesport, Missouri, April 2nd.

Pre. Elam D. Beachys, Dea. Daniel C. Borntregers, Jerry Borntragers, Joe Shrocks, Levi M. Borntregers, and Joni B. Petersheims moved from Clark, Mo. to a new settlement in Mitchel County, Iowa. They all have McIntire address but Joe Shrocks have Riceville, and all moved April 1st but Jerrys moved April 9th.


Aus die Elizabeth Bergyn ihr Noten-Buch. 1798

Ach. Wachet Wachet Auf, es ſind
Allein Gott in der höh ſey Ehr,
Allein zu dir Herr Jeſu Chriſt,
Ach bleib bey uns Herr Jeſu Chriſt
Bedrübtes Hertz ſey Wohl gemuth,

Chriſtus der iſt mein Leben, Sterb
Chriſt Lag in Todtes banden, für

Aus die Elizabeth Bergy
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To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE JOHANNES OR HANS AND ANNA LANTZ FAMILY

By Amos L. Fisher

Continued from last month

After the schism in the Amish Church in 1877 Samuel Lantz of No. 171 went with the Millwood congregation and was ordained to the ministry of that place. However, after a few years of disagreements he withdrew and started a church of his choice, which lasted only a few years, when he finally joined a more liberal church. (172) David Z. Lantz (169), born in 1838, married to Nancy Plank; (173) Anna Mary Lantz (172), married to David Hartz, son of Preacher Moses Hartz of Morgantown; (174) Susie Leah (172), married to Ezra Stoltzfus, son of Bishop Gideon and Susanna (Mast) Stoltzfus of Millwood Mennonite Church. (175) Christian F. Lantz (169), married to Rebecca J. Zook, daughter of David and Lydia Zook of Mifflin County. They moved to Newton, Harvey County, Kansas with their eight children. (176) John S. Lantz (169), married to Ida Clark; (177) Menno Lantz (169), married to Magdalena Esh, daughter of Abraham and Catherine (Headings) Esh of Union County, Pennsylvania. As stated before, one child of Christian and Leah Lantz is buried in Union County. Leah Lantz, age 24, and Susanna Lantz, age 19, both died in 1865 and are buried in Beiler's Cemetery at Ronks, and the parents at the Millwood Mennonite Church Cemetery.

(178) Barbara Lantz (160), born May 9, 1809, died in 1879 in Union County, married to Samuel Glick, son of John Glick of Mifflin County. They were the parents of nine children of which only eight grew to adulthiod and were married—namely, (179) Mattie Glick (178), married to Samuel Beiler, they lived in Union County and had only one daughter, Barbara Beiler, married to David H. Smucker of Mifflin County. (180) John Glick (178), married to Sarah Hertzler. They lived in Union County and later moved to Lancaster County. Their children are mostly in Lancaster and Mifflin Counties. (181) Samuel Glick Jr. (178), born May 18, 1835, married first to Mary Yoder, second to Catharine Sharp; their children are, (182) Malinda Glick (181), married to Henry Umble, they have a large offspring living in Chester County; (183) Barbara Glick (181), married to John K. Stoltzfus, born in Union County, later moved to Gap, Lancaster County; (184) Christian Glick (178) born in Union County, married to Elizabeth Beiler, daughter of Christian and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Beiler of Lancaster County; their children are (185) Sarah Glick (184), married to Preacher Amos B. Stoltzfoos of Millwood Mennonite; (186) Menno Glick (184), married to Mennie Yoder of Wayne County, Ohio; (187) Jacob Glick (184), married to Mary Newswenger; (188) Amos Glick (184), married to Rebecca Peachey, they have a large offspring in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania; (189) Samuel Glick (184), married to Salinda Mast and moved to Lancaster County; (190) Christian Glick Jr. (184), married to Maggie Yoder, he was a long time Budget scribe till several years ago, living at Sugarcreek, Ohio; (191) Reuben Glick (184), married to Mary Engle, their son, Herman Glick, is a minister in the Mennonite Church; (192) David F. Glick (178), born in 1840 in Union County, died in 1893, married to Katie Beiler, daughter of Deacon Christian and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Beiler of Lancaster County. They moved from Union County to Lancaster County in about 1876 on the farm now owned by John F. King. Their children are (193) Christian B. Glick (192), married to Katie Kurtz. He was ordained minister of the Amish Church in 1896 at twenty-eight years of age, and lived to be ninety years of age. His son, Christ A. Glick, is living at White Horse and his daughter Katie is married to Deacon David F. Esh. (194) Isaac Glick (192), married to Annie Yoder, daughter of David and Catharine (King) Yoder, no children were born to this union; (195) Rebecca Glick (192), married to John Allgyer, son of Benjamin and Sarah (King) Allgyer. They are the ancestors of about all the Allgyers of Lancaster County. John Allgyer, a grandson, is a minister at present in the Beuna Vista District. (196) Barbara F. Glick (192), born in 1878, married to Tobias Stoltzfus, son of Preacher Daniel and Katie (Lapp) Stoltzfus. He was ordained deacon, his son, Ira G. Stoltzfus, is deacon in the Spring Garden District, and their son, Elam D. Stoltzfus, is deacon in St. Mary's County, Maryland. (197) Moses Glick (192), married to Rebecca Stoltzfus, second to Aarie (Fisher) (Esh). Their son, John Glick, is bishop in the Georgetown District, sons Abner and David are ministers, and the late Christian S. Glick was a deacon. Their daughter, Malinda Glick, is married to Henry Hertzler of Tavistock, Ontario. (198) Malinda Glick (192), married to Benjamin F. Lapp, the parents of Annie and Christieanne Lapp at Gap; (199) Aaron H. Glick (192), married to Sarah Fisher. He was ordained minister in 1931 and later bishop. His only son, John F. Glick, is bishop and John's son Omar is minister at the present time. John is also a Budget scribe. (200) Mary Glick (192), was married to Stephen Lantz, son of Jonathan and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Lantz of family No. 108 in August issue of The Diary.

(201) Barbara L. Glick (178), born in 1848, died in 1926, married to Elias Renno, son of Jacob and Fannie (Fisher) Renno; their daughter, (202) Fannie Renno (201), married to John M. Beiler; their son, the late Christian R. Beiler, first married to Emma Fisher, was ordained minister and bishop, and were the parents of Abner F. Beiler of The Diary staff. (203) Samuel Renno (201), born in 1877, died in 1947 in California, married to Annie Usher. (204) Sarah Renno (201), married to Reuben Z. Stoltzfus; their son, Samuel R. Stoltzfus, lives in St. Mary's County, Maryland.

(205) Magdalena Lantz (160), born about 1812, married to David Glick, son of John Glick of Mifflin County. They lived in Union County and had the following children, (206) Fannie Glick (205), born in 1835, was the second wife of Peter Summers, the son of John and Christianna (Zook) Summers of Holmes County, Ohio. Peter Summers had married his first wife, Elizabeth Yoder, and lived in Salisbury Township. (207) Catharine Glick (205), born in 1846, married to Michael Beiler, son of John and

Elizabeth (Lapp) Beiler. They lived in Union County but moved to Lancaster County, where they died in 1893 and 1891. No children were born to this union. (208) Jonathan Glick (205), married to Barbara Mast, daughter of Jacob Mast of Indiana. Most of this family lived in the state of New Jersey. (209) Samuel F. Glick (205), born in 1840 in Union County, married first to Barbara Hertzler, daughter of Shem and Lydia (Yoder) Hertzler of Juniata County, second to Eliza Brown. They had several children some of who lived in the city of Lancaster. Henry Glick, who was single, moved with some Amish families to North Dakota. Ben Glick, who lived at Painted Post, New York, was in the process of compiling a Glick Family History Book and had some correspondence with the writer several years ago. (210) David Glick (205), born in 1843 in Union County, married in Lancaster County to Susie Renno. There were several children born to this union—namely, Jacob R. Glick who was married twice with both wives having the name of Annie Stoltzfus. They were the parents of David W. Glick, south of Bard's Crossing, Upper Leacock Township, and Barbara Glick, married to Isaac Dienner a minister in the Lower Pequea District. Leah R. Glick married to Isaac Stoltzfus of Morgantown. They were the parents of Elam G. Stoltzfus of Lebanon County, Preacher Reuben Stoltzfus of Millwood Mennonite, Preacher Abner Stoltzfus of Maple Grove Mennonite, and Lydia Stoltzfus, who was married to the late Deacon Eli Smucker; several of his children are in the ministry. Susie Renno Glick married her second husband, David Beiler, and had one son to marry—namely, John R. Beiler. (211) Christian Glick (205), born in 1846, married first to Barbara Neuhauser, second to Lydia Hertzler, daughter of Shem and Lydia (Yoder) Hertzler of Juniata County, third wife was Lydia Kreider Ketterring. They at one time lived in Canada but later in Lancaster County. Their oldest son, Isaac N. Glick was the founder of Glick's Seed House in Smoketown, whose son, Aaron Glick, is a minister in the Amish Mennonite Church at Weavertown. Several of the Christian Glick Children of No. 211 moved with some Amish families to Glendive, Montana. (212) John L. Glick (205), born in 1848 in Union County, married to Leah Renno, daughter of Jacob and Fannie (Fisher) Renno. There is a large offspring of this family in Lancaster County at present. The oldest son, Aaron R. Glick, was bishop in the Lower Pequea District, Amos U. Glick, a grandson, is at the present time a minister, and Aaron L. Glick, a great-grandson, is a deacon in the Millcreek District. (213) Benjamin Glick (205), married to Nancy Blank. No children were born to this union. (214) Mattie Glick (205), born in 1850 in Union County, married to John P. Kennel, son of Joseph and Fannie (Petersheim) Kennel. He was ordained deacon in the Millwood Amish Mennonite Church in 1888. They with their parents and several other families moved to Midland, Fauquier County, Virginia around 1890 but moved back to Lancaster County again a few years later. His son, John A. Kennel, was bishop at Millwood Mennonite Church.

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The Rickenbach Family

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tion is sinful and its wages are death. But as time went on this tradition lost some of its flavor as well as strength. The common people and even some authorities began to sense it a political thing or an economic policy. The loss of sturdy people meant so many hands less for the farms, so many soldiers less for defense. The danger of overpopulation was not thought of until a later age.

According to Faust the most critical emigration period in Switzerland was between 1734 and 1750. In 1734 Zurich published the first severe edict to curtail this so-called emigration fever. This forbade emigrating to the Carolinas, preventing property sales and proclaiming punishments for agents and distributors of literature. In the year 1744 a circular was sent to all the parishes of the districts of Zurich, demanding to know the names with birth dates of every man, woman and child who left the country with the purpose of going to Pennsylvania. Each pastor complied with this in his own accord. Some felt tolerant to the rule as they thought it may be good to get rid of the undesirable class, the homeless and the sectarian class, the taufer or wiedertaufer. Others felt it dangerous to release these heretic subjects to protestant colonies in America.

In the beginning of the eighteenth century a certain Ludwig Michael made two trips to American colonies, visiting Pennsylvania and Virginia. The principle promoters of this plan were George Ritter and Rudolf Ochs, who succeeded in interesting the council of Bern and the English envoy in proposing a Swiss settlement of four or five hundred persons in American colonies. The chief scheme was not to emigrate virile and the well-to-do elements of the population, rather they say an opportunity of ridding themselves of the pauper class, the squatters not citizens and the other class were Baptists, Anabaptists or Mennonites. The latter were considered a source of danger to both church and state. Their refusal to bear arms or hold office, their communistic tendencies seemed to undermine the foundation of civil government of protestant and Catholic churches alike, or at least in the opinion of authorities. Thus the council of Bern welcomed this movement offered by the Ritter company which presented a double-faced scheme. They recommended America to the Mennonites as a place of abundance of food, while at the same time warning others against Pennsylvania as a desert in which food supplies were lacking.

The expedition started in 1710. Authorities of Bern offered forty-five thalers a head for every taufer he succeeded in bringing to America. The deportation of the Ritter Company was, however, a failure. The Dutch Mennonites objected to this removement of their brothers and refused to allow any to be carried through their country for the purpose of being shipped away unless it was of their own free will. Forty-three men and eleven women were released at Mannheim and the remaining twenty-two gained their liberty at Nimwegen.

In the meantime influential men in England added more pressure to this Ritter company movement, since at this time London was crowded with more than ten thousand Palatine emigrants desirous of being transported. After the failure of the 1710 scheme they incorporated with British subjects and purchased 17,500 acres in North Carolina. This time they succeeded in bringing about six hundred of the most desirable persons to the Carolina. A. B. Faust states in his preface that for this reason many Swiss-Germans who settled in Pennsylvania are not listed in the "Rupps Thirty Thousand Immigrants" because many of the thousands who have followed such Carolina movements later settled in Pennsylvania. We suspect that that may include Mennonites and a few Amish settlers as well. After this the Ritter scheme was considered a total failure by the Bernese government. The Berner Rat discussed a proposition to buy land in American colonies for this purpose. However, the plan was dropped and never taken up again. They now returned to the original position on the subject of emigration, with prohibitory degrees of the seveneenth century punishing returning emigrants with loss of property and citizenship.

In 1720 a captain in the regiment Karrer by the name of Wunderlich, with a French spelling of Marrieilleux, attempted to secure recruit for service in the island of Mississippi. Not much is known about this movement.

In 1725 another plan was drawn by Jean Pierre Purry, later a firm Purry et Compagnie (Purry Company) in Neuchatel to found colony in Carolina. He advertised for three or four hundred workmen of various professions, all Swiss protestants of good reputation. This was broadcast and posted in which South Carolina was praised as one of the finest countries in the universe. In 1732 Pury established his colony of Purysburg (see page 190, August issue of The Diary). It is evident that some Mennonites and perhaps a few Amish followed this movement. The settlement had a prosperous beginning and in colonial history it is noted for its experiment in silk growing and manufacture. Later these colonies encountered the hardships of pioneer settlement, extremes of heat and cold, fevers, hostility of the natives. In general the colony was not considered successful.

The following decades suffered the greatest emigration. They were generally neutral in time of war but they remained a recruiting ground for the powerful nations of Europe. Young noblemen found it profitable to lead regiments in foreign armies. In some instances Swiss fought against Swiss in European battlefields. It is estimated that 60,000 Swiss soldiers served in French, Spanish, Austrian, and Dutch service in 1740. Many of these soldiers did not come back again.

Besides these conditions, periodic failures of crops due to hailstorms and floods in the Bernese Oberland, no governmental restrictions could restrain the desire for emigration in these periods. The continuous inducements of the Pury Company, together with social and economic conditions, threatened to depopulate large sections, and gave the government cause for alarm which prompted the Zurich edict to follow. Other canten governments followed suit, although Bern and Basel enforced it in a milder degree, also it administered and enforced the emigration tax and raised it to a high of 10% of property value.

All of these conditions have in one way or another affected our fatherland immigrants. Perhaps many of those who settled in our fatherland regarded the price paid in Europe as cheap in terms of living in a country free of bonds and having freedom of worship.

Joseph F. Beiler

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

The Reno–Renno Family

The story of the Reno Family will be a shorter one, but in its duration there will be notable excerpts to behold. Today the Renno Family in our group is a minority but they are generally well-known wherever they are. In general they are a hard working, thrifty, and industrious class. They are capable to produce, yet they maintain their material asset at a medium. Within the church they are pious laborers and strive to conserve.

The family name has never known popularity in Old Order settlements except in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, where by far the bulk is found today. Next is Juniata County, Pennsylvania. The current Lancaster–Chester County, Pennsylvania directory lists only one family. The 1969 Mifflin County directory (see March 1969 issue of The Diary) lists a total of three families there. Perhaps there are more now. Juniata County, Pennsylvania may have as many or more, but here we have no actual count available. How many, if any, Renno families have followed movements to Maryland and Virginia in the last half century we cannot say, but apparently they are rarely found outside of the valley regions of East Central Pennsylvania.

Maternal Lines

In spite of the fact that Joseph Reno, our progenitor, has left a quite minute will, the original one in German and also one translated in English, both carefully listing all the children, there are still many missing links to fully outline maternal lines. Anna, or Nancy, was the oldest daughter, and married to Henry Hostetler. From this union we probably possess progeny through Hostetler, Zook, and Kauffman family lines in Mifflin County and the west.

Anna Reno was married the second time to Dea. John King, son of the immigrant Samuel, but no known children came from this marriage. Elizabeth, another daughter of Joseph Reno, was married to Jacob Speicher, the forebearer of our Speichers in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and also a John and Susanna (Speicher) Miller Family.

Perhaps a better source of information on maternal lines is the family history books. The Christian Fisher family in 1957 lists six families that are prospective in adding maternal lines in our Lancaster County districts. Among these are descendants of the late Eli Renno, a well-known sawmiller and thresherman, active in the latter part of the nineteenth century. These branch out into Beiler, Glick, Miller, Riehl, and Stoltzfus families.

The Hertzler-Hartzler Family History (1952) index lists thirty one Renno entries, and nearly all of these are locatedor stem fromBig Valley regions. These will branch out to Stoll, Hostetler, Miller, Smucker, Beachy, Peachey, Hartzler, Swarey, Sharp, and Stoltzfus families.

All in all, in scanning through our family histories, Reno or Renno is a comparably scarce family name. Perhaps the most well-known member of this family in our day was Bishop John Renno of Belleville, Pennsylvania, who dedicated the prime of his life to this office and was a faithful pillar where he served.

Here again, like in some other families of our fatherland, we must wonder why the name has never gained in number as compared to other names. Perhaps the reason will never be explained in full. In Lancaster County, Pennsylvania they have decreased the last century including those outside our church. Lancaster County telephone directories list only two today—namely, Glenn Reno of Lancaster, Pennsylvania and Huge Reno of Bainbridge, Pennsylvania. It is known that a number of Renno's outside of our group are residing in Juniata County, Pennsylvania today.

Joseph Reno in Berks County, Pennsylvania

As stated in the previous chapter we have no record of Joseph Reno anywhere until he is married and land was granted to him. This absence of record is a strong indication that he came to port as a bound servant, much alone, and was taken into a home in our fatherland, to grow up in our church, where he married a fair maiden, Elizabeth Miller. In spite of the nil records before this time we have documents in abundance to outline one of the most interesting placements in our fatherland.

Geographically via land grants we can draw a three generation lineal homesteads interceding or adjoining each other, which is a rare one if not the only one in our fatherland in Berks County, Pennsylvania. His own will, probated in Reading, Pa., is the master key to his own family and also his wife's father and wealth. A Henry Gut (Good), son of our pioneer Jacob Gut, held a deed of the original Christian Berke grant which provides some missing links to our family lineage.

Christian Burke is the head of this line. We estimate that he was born around 1710 or before. He is listed among the 1737 Charming Nancy shiplist where a Catrina Burkie is also listed among the women and who was perhaps the wife of Christian. He received a landgrant of three hundred acres jointly with Hans Zimmerman at the end of 1737. This tract of land was then in Lancaster County, located at the spring of Little Nutt Creek, a tributary of the Northkill Creek. From these three documents we can piece together a perfect three-generation maternal ancester line of the Joseph Reno family. From his will it is clear that Elizabeth Reno was a daughter of Christian Miller. Today we cannot be sure when or on which ship he came to America. He is one of the three or four immigrant Christian Millers to settle in Berks County, Pennsylvania. If one of these returned to Europe and came the second time there are three. Our Christian does not fit into the 1737 ship list well, nor in the 1738 ship list. Most likely he came with Christian Yoder in 1742 and settled on land adjacent to his. In 1748 he was granted a tract of land about a mile east of his father-in-law, Christian Burke. This tract was conveyed to Joseph Reno in 1788 and we assume he moved to a western Pennsylvania county then. He was taxable in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania as early as 1785. If he actually lived there we are not certain but evidence is growing stronger that he did. He is listed in Jacobs Creek Valley on the border of Westmoreland and Fayette Counties with Nicolas Miller, Samuel Miller, Abram Garver, and Henry Sook (Zook). This valley is located over the Laurel Hill in two townships and two counties, in the vicinity of present Scottdale, Pennsylvania, exactly as specified in the Joseph Reno will except that Blesmount Township must be a translation error. In all probability it should read Hempfield Township, Westmoreland County. The majority of our settlers were in Bullskin Township, Fayette County. Burther on in the will we will notice that the children of Joseph Reno were legal heirs of a tract of 100 acres located in this Jacobs Creek Valley. In 1786 tax returns a Reno (first name omitted) is already taxable of four lbs. and two shillings. This seems to mark the time of Christian Miller's death, 1785-1786. Although Joseph Reno was taxable as early as 1760 in Bern Township he did not hold a title to land until 1786. Then in a few years he held titles for at least three different tracts of well average size.

This rapid monetary gain appears to come through inheritance. According to the study of Paul U. Hostetler, this Christian Miller had only two heirs. This would give Elizabeth Reno one half of the inheritance. One generation before that the wife of Christian Miller, whose maiden name was Ann Burke, also received a one half share of her father's inheritance, around 1763. Now to have in mind that Joseph Reno came to America as a bound servant, it is rather interesting to know that when his time expired his children were legal heirs to three patented tracts in Bern Township, one in Heidelberg Township, besides the 100 acres in Jacobs Creek Valley. In all probability this clears our legend well of the Reno gang going west. They did not go in want of money, but to explore country which was to be or already was theirs. Perhaps they were not out to explore the far west, only west of the Alleghanies. One more question to solve concerning the Reno tax list in 1786, was this tract automatically transferred to the Reno name as per will of Christian Miller after his death or was one of the Reno boys already living there in 1786? Only Christian Reno was old enough to own property.

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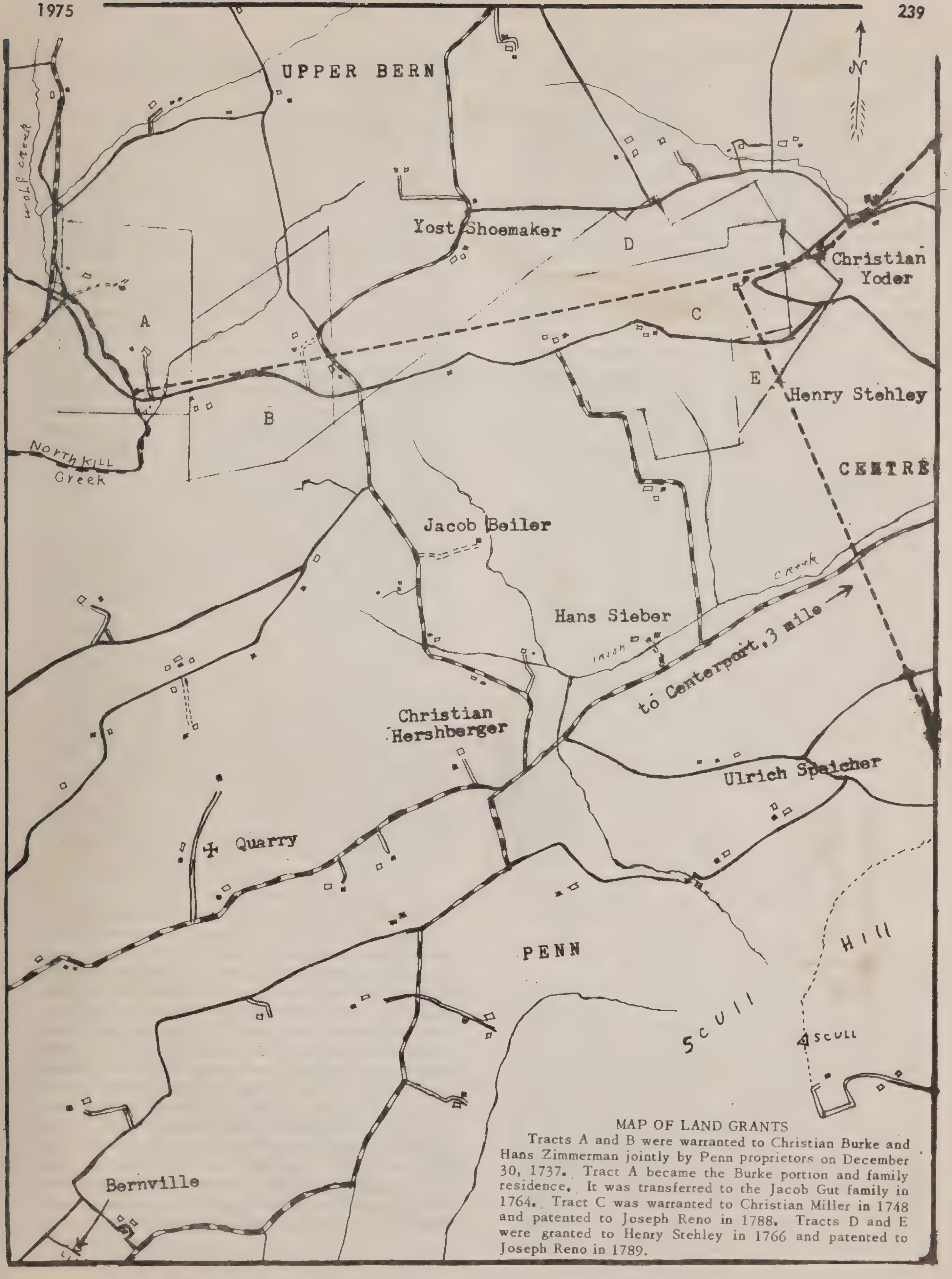
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MAP OF LAND GRANTS

Tracts A and B were warranted to Christian Burke and Hans Zimmerman jointly by Penn proprietors on December 30, 1737. Tract A became the Burke portion and family residence. It was transferred to the Jacob Gut family in 1764. Tract C was warranted to Christian Miller in 1748 and patented to Joseph Reno in 1788. Tracts D and E were granted to Henry Stehley in 1766 and patented to Joseph Reno in 1789.

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

The Rickenbach Family

Continued from last month

The Rickenbach Family in Europe

Not much can be given on this family in Europe, as none of our Anabaptist history books mention the name. The name itself seems to be of late origin, and it most likely stems from the town Rickenbach in the Canton of Bern, Switzerland. We notice that in the early eighteenth century some of those living in that area with already suffixed names were referred to as Rickenbachers, and this is the term commonly applied to our Rickenbach family in Europe. A few documents will have the Rickenbacher spelling in America. On the other hand this could be a clue to the theory that they were of Jewish descent. Historically the Jews were the last ones to accept fixed names or surnames even after it was compulsary in the Basal regions. They maintained that they had their given names at birth according to Jewish traditions. In such cases they were referred to the town area they lived in and in some cases the authorities gave them undesirable names.

To give information to the Rickenbach family in Europe we must rely on the list of Swiss emigrants by Faust and Brumbach. Here we can list the whole family and when they were baptized in infancy. Since this source of information comes from Swiss state archives they would in no way yield the date of adult baptism. It is unlikely that more than one, if any, of the children were baptized again until they came to America.

The list is dated 1740; Heini Riggenbacher, aged 44, paid 242 lbs. emigrant tax; Barbara Thommen, aged 39; their children, Elizabeth, bapt. July 30, 1724; Hans Adam, bapt. Nov. 18, 1726; Johannes, bapt. Oct. 24, 1728; Jacob, bapt. June 25, 1730; Magareth, bapt. Mar. 18, 1732; Heinrich, bapt. May 22, 1735; Barbara, bapt. Oct. 20, 1737; Anna, bapt. Nov. 28, 1739.

Other family names in the Rickenbach area were Thommen, Yoner, Hanschi, Andereck, Haring, and Keller. It is doubtful if many or any of these were Mennonites. Another reference states that a Rickenbach was married to Barbara Weber, and includes the marriage date. It would rarely happen that a Mennonite marriage is listed in state archives in Switzerland. On page 135 we have another noteworthy statement. Jacob Jones, Heinrich Spenhauer, and Hans Adam Rickenbacher three former countrymen from Pennsylvania a report of the obervogt of Farnsburg dated March 14 describes the evil effects of Fronunger (compulsory service) and the manner in which the emigration movement spread. This statement gives light to the fact that the Rickenbachers have emigrated because of compulsory service. Another emigrant record goes as follows, a report from Farnsburg dated December 18 shows that Heine Rickenbacher was induced to go by conversation on this topic (compulsory service) in city and county and especially by Emanuel Giegelmann his brother-in-law.

We take special notice of a few accounts that show that the Thommen family have several times intermarried with Rickenbachers. In Zeglinger, a region of Rickenbach, Hans Jacob Thomman married to Anna Rickenbacher, bapt. Jan. 7, 1772. His property value was set at 5000 lbs. when he emigrated to America.

Another note of interest: Christian Gerber of Sumiswald, Bern, was married and had a daughter Anna, bapt. March 12, 1730. This is perhaps a friend of Henry Rickenbacher, whom he appointed to be executor of his estate, and was one of the guardians to the minor orphan Rickenbach children after the death of Henry. He may have emigrated to America in 1738 and settled in the Conestoga Valley, which seems to have been the destination of Henry and his family when he came to America. It is probable that they lived on his property at the time of Henry's death.

A Brief Look into Existing Problems During the Heavy Emigration Period

Abstracts from the work of A. B. Faust (1919)

"The old tradition was that emigration was a crime, and punishable as such, a deliberate shirking of one's obvious duty to the fatherland," writes Albert B. Faust in his preface to the list of Swiss emigrants. This was implanted in the faith of our fathers centuries ago. Even after they had seen their brothers and sisters martyred, and their loved ones tortured and abused, few have seriously entertained the thought of leaving their fatherland even though many could have escaped to the border by foot in a matter of a day and a night or two. This unison spirit was the bond that held the fold together. On the other hand it was the law of the land in these small European countries while even Martin Luther read from his own words out of the psalmist text, "Bleibe im lande and nahre dich redlich." Emigra-

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FALL FROM HORSE FATAL TO 19-YEAR-OLD YOUTH

Jacob M., son of Levi J. and Rachel S. (Miller) Fisher, Mill Hall R1 (Clinton County), Pa., was fatally injured Wednesday, Nov. 5th, about 1:15 p.m. when he was thrown from a horse on his father's farm. The accident occured as he was training a stallion. The horse threw him and then rolled on him, causing a fractured skull. The family moved from Lancaster County to Clinton County about a year ago.

LANCASTER CO., PA. SHED FIRE

An old tobacco shed on the farm of Pre.Benuel F. Eshs of Peach Bottom burned to the ground on Thanksgiving Day while they were at a wedding in the Soudersburg area. They had seven acres tobacco, three bulls, three heifers, about thirty hogs, corn fodder bales, and a lot of equipment in the shed. About twenty thousand dollars worth of contents and twenty thousand dollars worth of building were lost.

CANTON, MINN. CROSSROAD ACCIDENT

Dan C. Hershbergers were involved in a buggy-car accident on the evening of October 31st. They were coming from the west and had just turned to their left when a car coming from the south rammed into the right side of their buggy. It threw Dans out and hit the horse, breaking one leg so that it had to be killed. Nobody was seriously hurt, just some bumps and bruises. The buggy was damaged to some extent. It happened after dark. Dan said he did not see any lights of a car coming, neither did the driver of the car see Dans.

CHETEK, WISCONSIN ACCIDENT

Clemens, 6-year-old son of Henry H. Millers, received a broken leg on November 8th. He fell from the plow while his older brother was plowing, resulting in a broken left leg below the knee. He is at home and coming along fine. Plans are to take his cast off soon.

GOSHEN, IND. TOT BURNED TO DEATH

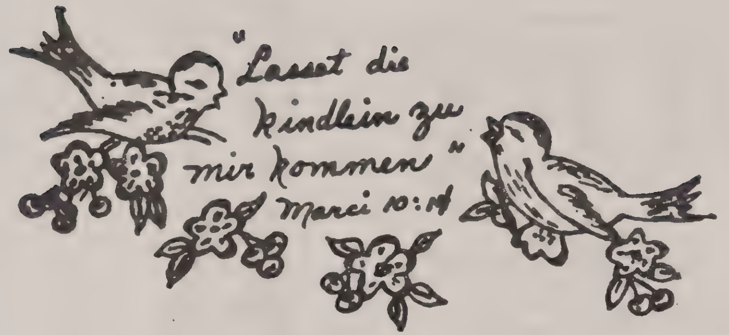
Norman and Nelson, 18 month old twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Miller, were playing on the floor of the wash house Friday, Nov. 14th, and got hold of a gas can. Mrs. Miller had gone out to their store to wait on customers and the hired girl was out hanging up wash when the gas was spilled. It was ignited by the refrigerator in the same room. Lillian had both hands burned in rescueing her sons. The wash house, kitchen, and bathroom have to be completely rebuilt, rest of the house has smoke and water damage. Norman was pronounced dead at the scene of the fire and Nelson was rushed to Fort Wayne Hospital with third degree burns, and was in critical condition.

MIDDLEBURY, IND. MAN KICKED BY HORSE

Sam E. Miller was kicked by a horse in the evening of Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27th. When he opened the gate to let the horses into the barn, one of the work horses kicked him in the back. He was unconscious for awhile. The ambulance was called and upon examination they thought he had several broken ribs and a punctured lung so he was taken to Elkhart General Hospital.

CHAIN SAW ACCIDENT

Andrew H. Hershberger, Millersburg R5, Ohio, who was ordained minister about six weeks ago, was injured by a chain saw November 25th. He was sawing fire wood when in some way the chain saw hit something and jumped to his face cutting his left cheek, over the eyelid and some of forehead. The doctor said no harm done to eyeball, just the lid and also some bone chips off forehead. It took two hours to get it sewn up. Andrew asked how many stitches, doctor said he didn't count them but there are many. He was by himself at the time and loaded the saw and his coat on the already loaded slid, then drove home yet before going to the doctor. He came home from the hospital late the same evening, and is doing as well as can be expected.



BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

ALLGYER, David (Mamie Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand R1
a daughter LYDIA, November 29
BEILER, Christ A. (Emma Stoltzfus) Quarryville R2
a son JOHN, November 1
BEILER, Jacob Y. (Emma Miller) Christiana R1
a son CHRISTIAN M., November 22
BEILER, Jonas (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Strasburg R1
a son SAMUEL S., November 9
BEILER, Samuel L. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Kirkwood
a daughter ANNIE S., November 10
BLANK, Christ K. (Susie Zook) Kinzer R1
twins RACHEL & REBECCA, November 9
ESCH, David G. (Sylvia Esh) Gap R2
a son SAMUEL ELIAS, November 17
FISHER, Benuel (Esther Fisher) Paradise R1
a son MICHAEL LEE, November 2
FISHER, Jacob M. (Arie Stoltzfoos) Christiana R1
a daughter NAOMI, November 23
FISHER, Samuel (Lydia Deinner) Gordonville R1
a daughter NAOMI MAE, November 19
FISHER, Samuel (Sadie King) 2471 Horseshoe Rd,
Lanc., a daughter ESTHER, November 26
GLICK, Aaron (Barbara Blank) Bird-in-Hand R1
a son AMOS, October 30
GLICK, Benjamin (Susie Glick) 2440 Creek Hill Rd.
Lanc., a son AMOS JAY, November 4
GLICK, Jacob (Mary Stoltzfus) Quarryville R2
a son ELAM, November 4
KING, Ammon (Mattie Lapp) Christiana R1
a son SAMUEL, November 18
KING, Christian (Rachel Lantz) Ronks R1
a daughter MARY, November 28
KING, Christ S. (Anna Stoltzfus) Leola R1
a daughter REBECCA, November 30
KING, Elam (Emma Lapp) Gap R1
a daughter ELIZABETH, November 8
KING, Enos (Lizzie Beiler) Paradise R1
a daughter ANNA, November 2
MILLER, Ephraim (Emma Esh) 2455 Bachman Rd.
Lanc., a son EPHRAIM, JR., November 21
PETERSHEIM, Daniel (Mary Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a son AARON, November 24
SMUCKER, Levi (Barbara Stoltzfus) Ronks R1
a daughter NAOMI, November 7
SMUCKER, Reuben (Elsie Allgyer) New Holland R2
a daughter ANNE FAITH, November 22
STOLTZFUS, Elam (Sarah Beiler) Gap R1
a daughter MARY, November 26
STOLTZFUS, Ervin (Ruth Fisher) Narvon R2
a daughter ESTHER MAE, November 6
STOLTZFUS, Gideon (Barbara Fisher) Gap R2
a daughter ELIZABETH, November 17
STOLTZFUS, Jonas (Malinda Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1
a son JOHN DAVID, November 11
STOLTZFUS, Melvin (Ruth Smucker) Talmage
a daughter VERNA MAE, November 9
STOLTZFUS, Samuel (Lydia Stoltzfus) Kinzer R1
a son, November 27
SWAREY, Aaron (Fannie Stoltzfus) Leola R1
a daughter ELIZABETH, November 29
ZOOK, Abner G, (Miriam Lapp) Leola R1
a daughter ELIZABETH, November 23
ZOOK, Abner S. (Rachel Stoltzfus) Gap R1
a daughter ELIZABETH, November 7
ZOOK, Isaac (Lydia Smoker) Gordonville R1
a daughter MARY, November 4

St. Mary's County, Maryland

HERTZLER, David (Sarah Swarey) Charlotte Hall
a son, November 19, lived several hours
HERTZLER, John (Barbara Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville
a daughter BARBARA, October 31

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

FISHER, Reuben (Lydia Lapp) Newmanstown R1
a daughter RACHEL, November 23
LANTZ, John (Bena Stoltzfus) Myerstown R1
a son ELMER, November 18
STOLTZFUS, Isaac (Annie Stoltzfus) Myerstown R2
a son HENRY ELAM, November 11

Bradford County, Pennsylvania

BEACHEY, Simon (Sarah Yoder) LeRaysville
a daughter MATTIE, November 26
MILLER, Levi (Cassie Hershberger) LeRaysville
a daughter VIOLA, November 24

Centre County, Pennsylvania

KING, Enos (Lavina Esch) Rebersburg
a son ALVIN, November 29

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Dover, Delaware

BRENNEMAN, Simon E. (Lydia Yoder) Wyoming R1
a daughter JUDITH, November 12
COBLENTZ, Freeman J. (Anna Mary Byler) Hartly R1
a son ROBERT, October 12
COBLENTZ, Harvey E. (Ruth Byler) Hartly R1
a son FREEMAN JAY, November 10
DETWEILER, Johnny Ray (Martha Miller) Dover R2
a son JONI JAY, October 3
HERSHBERGER, Atlee J. (Emma Hostetler) Dover R2
a daughter MARLENE, November 25
MAST, Daniel D. (Elizabeth Miller) Dover R2
a daughter JUDITH, November 21
MILLER, Danny H. (Barbara Yoder) Dover R5
a stillborn son, November 20
MILLER, Mose A. (Lydiann Miller) Wyoming R1
a daughter MIRIAM, November 16
MILLER, Samuel J. (Barbara Troyer) Wyoming R1
a son DAVID, October 18
MILLER, William Ray (Miriam Coblentz) Hartly R1
a son LAVERN, November 24
SCHLABACH, Paul D. (Esther Detweiler) Hartly R1
a daughter ANNA, November 19
STUTZMAN, Emery J. (Clara Mast) Dover R2
a daughter KATIE, November 22
TROYER, David S. (Lena Yoder) Dover R2
a son JOHN, November 3
TROYER, Samuel S. (Lizzie Mast) Wyoming R1
a son BENJAMIN, November 22

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, Urie (Nancy Peachey) Belleville
a son BENNIE, November 1
RENNO, John (Lavina Peachey) Belleville
a son REUBEN, November 15
WENGERD, Eli (Mary Zook) Belleville
a son JOHN, November 7
YODER, Samuel P., Jr. (Katie Peachey) Belleville
a son NOAH, November 17

Juniata County, Pennsylvania

PEACHEY, John K. (Fannie Weaver) Mifflintown R2
a daughter VERNA, November 16

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

BRENNEMAN, Norman (Amanda Yoder) Meyersdale R1
a daughter RACHEL, November 8
KINSINGER, Aaron (Ada Yoder) Salisbury R1
a son SAMUEL, November 13
KINSINGER, Roy (Susie Hershberger) Meyersdale R1
a son VERNON, November 20
LEE, Enos (Nancy Sommers) Grantsville R1, Md.
a daughter FANNIE, November 19
YODER, Albert (Lizzie Brenneman) Salisbury R1
a son PETER, November 17

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

HOCHSTETLER, Jonas J. (Martha Byler)
a son DANIEL, November 25
WENGERD, Ervon A. (Emma Coblentz)
a daughter EDNA, November 11

St. Lawrence County, New York

SCHWARTZ, Mose T. (Mary Troyer) Norfolk
a son CHRIS, December 1

Conewango Valley, New York

MILLER, Danny (Dora Raber)
a daughter ANNIE,

Geauga County, Ohio

BYLER, William A. (Etta Weaver)
a son, November 6
BYLER, William W. (Esther Mullet)
a daughter MIRIAM, November 20
HOSTETLER, Dan D. (Esther Hostetler)
a son, November 18
MILLER, Chester R. and wife
a child, November 13
MILLER, Ervin (Mary Ann Miller)
a daughter MIRIAM, November 8
TROYER, Melvin (Saloma Miller)
a daughter , November 5

Holmes County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Andrew (Fannie Stutzman) Millersburg
a son PAUL, October 2
KEIM, Aden and wife, Millersburg R5
a son MOSE, October 6
KEIM, Leroy (Lydiann Yoder) Millersburg Star Rt.
a son NORMAN, November 22
KLINE, Alvin, Jr. (Miriam Raber) Baltic R1
a daughter RHODA, November 2
MAST, Andy (Linda Miller) Millersburg R5
a daughter RUTH, September 27
MAST, Eli (Mattie Yoder) Mt. Hope
a son LARRY, November 18
MILLER, Andy (Katie Wengerd) Millersburg Star Rt.
a daughter IVA, November 4
MILLER, Andy (Amanda Troyer) Fredericksburg R1
a daughter AMANDA, October 29
MILLER, Dan S. and wife, Millersburg R5
a daughter WILMA, October 8
MILLER, Eli (Esta Mast) Millersburg R4
a daughter CATHERINE, November 8
MILLER, Robert (Ruth Gingerich) Millersburg R4
a son, November 9
MILLER, Mose (Mattie Miller) Millersburg R5
a daughter MARY, November 13
RABER, Mr. and Mrs. Albert, Jr., Baltic R1
a daughter LYDIA ANN, November 16
RABER, Alvin (Mary Stutzman) Baltic R1
a son WYMAN, November 13
RABER, Ervin (Esther Yoder) Baltic R1
a son, November 1
WENGARD, Andy (Mary Troyer) Millersburg Star Rt.
a son MILAN, November 23
YODER, Bishop John and wife, Baltic R1
a daughter EMMA, October 20
YODER, Jonas (Clara Miller)
a daughter MIRIAM, November 11

Ashland County, Ohio

MILLER, Sam (Elizabeth Miller)
a son ANDY, November 26

Wayne County, Ohio

KEIM, Aden (Linda Miller) Navarre
a daughter MIRIAM, October 25
MILLER, Johnny (Lizzie Byler) Fredericksburg R2
a daughter AMANDA, November 24
MILLER, Paul (Betty Hershberger) Apple Creek R1
a daughter EVA, November 1
MILLER, Sam (Fannie Miller) Fredericksburg R2
a son ANDY, November 20
MILLER, Simon (Katie Raber) Fredericksburg R2
a son JOHN, November 4
WENGARD, David (Nettie Hershberger) Apple Creek R2
a son ALVIN, October 23
YODER, Joe (Lydia Ann Stutzman) Fredericksburg R2
a daughter MARY ELLEN, October 10

Centreville, St. Joseph County, Michigan

HOCHSTETLER, Vernon (Katie Borkholder) Three Rivers R4, a son HOMER, November 18
KAUFFMAN, Melvin (Martha Yoder) Colon R1
a daughter SARAH JOAN, November 30
SCHMUCKER, Daniel (Edna Miller) Mendon
a daughter BARBARA SUE, November 20

Hillsdale County (Camden), Michigan

GRABER, Abraham (Eileen Delagrange)
a daughter EILEEN, October 27

Bronson (Branch County), Michigan

BONTRAGER, Melvin (Mary Miller)
a son JOSEPH, November 13

LaGrange County, Indiana

BONTRAGER, Leo (Martha Hochstedler) Topeka
a son GARY MARTIN, November 14
FREY, Leonard (Erma Wingard) Topeka R1
a daughter KRISTINE KAY, November 17
FRY, Wilbur (Ada Mae Knepp) Topeka R1
a son DAVID, November 1
HOCHSTEDLER, Eli (Fannie Mae Schmucker) LaGrange
a daughter MARIANN, November 16
LEHMAN, Lester (Mary Bontrager) Middlebury
a daughter KATIE ELLEN, November 9
MAST, Ervin (Ida Mae Yoder) Wolcottville R2
a son DANIEL RAY, November 18
MILLER, Ervin (Mary Lambright) LaGrnage R4
a daughter LORENE, November 13
MILLER, Howard (Esther Yoder) LaGrange R4
a daughter LYDIA, November 21
MILLER, Jacob (Nettie Miller) Shipshewana
a daughter LORI, October 31
MILLER, Wilbur (Mattie Marie Miller) LaGrange
a daughter IRMA, November 10
PETERSHEIM, Menno (Ida Gingerich) LaGrange R3
a daughter SUSIE, November 8
SCHLABACH, Ervin and Edna, Topeka R2
a son JERRY LEE, November 2
SCHLABACH, Melvin (Ida Mae Lambright) LaGrange R4
a son KENNETH, November 20
SCHWARTZ, Marvin (Mary Anna Lambright) Wolcottville R2, a son CLETUS LEE, November 7
WENGARD, William (Edna Miller) LaGrange R4
a daughter LeANNA, October 29

YODER, Perry Jay (Amanda Bontrager) Wolcottville
a son LARRY WAYNE, November 14
YODER, Wilbur Leroy (Barbara Schlabach) Topeka
a daughter DOROTHY JEAN, October 30

Elkhart County, Indiana

MILLER, Earl (Esther Wengard) Middlebury
a daughter BRENDA JEAN, November 19
MILLER, Leo (Lorene Eash) Middlebury R3
a son MARVIN, October 31
MILLER, Roy W. (Wilma Bontrager) Middlebury R2
a daughter ERMA, November 5
SCHROCK, Clarence (Ruby Miller) 14734 C.R. 126 Goshen, twins LORETTA KAYE & LUETTA FAYE, November 20
STUTZMAN, Joe (Ruth Ann Bender) Middlebury R3
a son DAVID JAMES, November 10
YODER, Eli (Wilma Schwartz) Goshen R4
a daughter MARGARET ELAINE, November 4

Allen County, Indiana

GRABER, Mervin (Margaret Schwartz) Grabill
a daughter RUTH, November 9
LENGACHER, Joe (Mary Graber)
a daughter ANNA, November 7
LENGACHER, Joseph (Marie Schmucker)
a son JOHN, November 23
LENGACHER, Menno (Anna Graber)
a daughter VERNA, November
MILLER, Melvin (Rosa Mae Schmucker)
a son MARTIN LEE, November 11
SCHMUCKER, David (Barbara Schmucker)
a son JONAS, November 20
ZEHR, Alvin (Mary Graber)
a son REUBEN, November

Arthur (Moultrie County), Illinois

MAST, Lynn (Dorothy Plank)
a son in November
MILLER, Alva (Verba Herschberger)
a daughter SHARON KAYE, November
MILLER, Elva (Edith Otto)
twins WILBUR & WILMER, November 20
YODER, Lonnie (Martha Schrock)
a daughter WILMA, November

Ethridge (Lawrence County), Tennessee

MAST, Enos (Lizzie Yoder)
a daughter ADA, October 31
YODER, Jacob (Delilah Hostetler)
a son ELI, November 7

Marshfield (Webster County), Missouri

EICHER, Joe and Millie, Marshfield R2
a son JOSHUA, November 8

Pike County, Missouri

BURKHOLDER, Eli (Ida Eicher) Curryville
a son AMOS, November 8

Jamesport (Daviess County), Missouri

KRAMER, Vernon (Becky Graber)
a son ABE, November 25. The baby died 2 days later, and funeral services were held Nov. 28.

Bloomfield, Davis County, Iowa
MISHLER, Harry, Jr. (Amelia Schlabach)
a son LESTER, November 8

Johnson County, Iowa
BONTRAGER, William (Nina Yoder)
a daughter LEONA MARIE, November 4
MILLER, Alvin (Ella Beachy)
a son NELSON RAY, November 5

Buchanan County, Iowa
DETWEILER, William (Rosanna Kurtz) Hazleton
a daughter MARTHA, November 6
YUTZY, David (Katie Shetler) Hazleton
a daughter SARAH, November 20

Blair, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin
MILLER, William (Elsie Mast)
a son ANDY, October 9

Medford, Taylor County, Wisconsin
BORNTREGER, Tobias (Fannie Miller)
a daughter RUTH, November
MAST, Samuel (Elizabeth Otto)
a daughter in November
MULLET, Enos (Millie Otto)
a son VERNON, November
YODER, Joe (Elizabeth Miller)
a daughter CLARA, November 7

Cashton, Vernon County, Wisconsin
BONTRAGER, Joe (Mattie Schmucker)
twins MARVIN & MERVIN, November 17
They only lived a short while.
DETWEILER, Jake and Fannie
a son JOHN, November 10

Wadena County, Minnesota
SCHROCK, Mose W. (Anna Mary Detweiler)
a son DAVID, November 18

Canton, Minnesota
HERSHBERGER, Levi (Priscilla Miller)
a daughter RACHEL, November 3
HERSHBERGER, Mose (Fannie Hershberger)
a son JOE, November 20
SWARTZENTRUBER, Jacob (Mary Miller)
a son DAVID, November 19

BAPTISMS

Anabel, Missouri
Neal Borntrager East District
November 30, by Bishop Neal Borntrager
William, son of Chriss and Amanda (Yoder) Miller
Amos, son of Levi U. and Fanny (Borntrager) Borntrager

Bloomfield, Iowa
October 12, by Bishop George Gingerich
Abe, son of Jake and Abby Beachy
Alvin, son of Elmer D. Yoders
Ervin, son of Elmer D. Yoders (twins)
Orva, son of Menno and Clara Lambright
Lester, son of David and Ella Yutzy
Owen, son of Daniel and Savannah Beachy
Anna Marie, dau. of Jake and Abby Beachy
Esther, dau. of Menno and Clara Lambright

Buchanan County, Iowa
In North East Church District, November 2
Rudy, son of Mrs. Ada Helmuth
In North West Church District, November 2
Joe, son of Albert A. Masts

Canton, Minnesota
October 29
By Bishop John A. Miller of Dundee, Ohio
Crist, son of Dan D. and Lizzie Hershberger
Willy, son of Dan C. and Salome Hershberger
Jerry, son of Jacob J. and Lydia (Stutzman) Hershberger
Emery, son of Chriss H. and Amanda (Hershberger) Stutzman
Lydiann, dau. of Henry J. and Katie (Gingerich) Petersheim
Annie, dau. of Dan M. and Lydia (Miller) Hershberger

ORDINATIONS

Guys Mills, Pennsylvania

Ervin A. C. Miller, 36, was ordained minister September 27th. He is a son of Andrew A. and the late Martha (Byler) Miller of Geauga County, Ohio. His wife, Martha, is a daughter of Ed Miller, also of Geauga County, Ohio.

Holmes County, Ohio

Preacher Eli A. Yoder of Millersburg R2, was ordained bishop in West Clark District, October 3rd.

Henry Yoder was ordained deacon in West Doughty Bishop Joe M. Hershberger District, October 5th. He is a son of Mose M. and Mary (Yoder) Yoder of Millersburg R2.

David J. Yoder, 63, Millersburg R3, was ordained minister in East Doughty Bishop Joe M. Hershberger District, October 10 th.

Andy D. Weaver, 25, Millersburg R5, was ordained deacon in Dan E. Schlabach District, October 12th. He is a son of Dan J. Weaver. His wife, Edna, is a daughter of Abe M. Keim.

Andrew H. Hershberger, 26, Millersburg R5, was ordained minister in the old Bishop Jake Mast District, October 15th. He is a son of Henry A. Hershberger. His wife, Fannie, is a daughter of Pre. Perry Stutzman.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Levi M. Mast, 65, Topeka R2, was ordained bishop in Joni B. Miller Clearspring District. He is married to Nettie Miller.

Blair, Wisconsin

Elven A. Yoder was ordained minister November 2nd. He is a son of Alvin and Lydia Yoder. With him in the lot were Perry A. Lambright, Felty A. Lambright, Ira A. Borntrager, Mose J. Miller, Moses S. Miller, and Melvin Yoder.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Cashton, Wisconsin

Alma, age 17, daughter of Monroe and Malinda Miller, received a gash in her leg when a glass door blew open during a wind storm in the fore part of November.

OBITUARIES

BLANK, Benjamin K., 28, Gap R1, Pa.

died Monday, Nov. 10th, at 4:15 a.m. at Lancaster General Hospital. He had been in the hospital one week and died of Leukemia. Born in Salisbury Twp., he was a son of Moses K. and Fannie (Kauffman) Blank. Besides his parents, he is survived by six brothers and one sister: Christian K. and Isaac K., Kinzers R1; John H., Eli and Jacob, all at home; Aquilla K. and Leah, wife of Ezra J. Swarey, both of Gap R1.

Funeral services were held at the home Nov. 12th, at 12:30, by Jacob Stoltzfoos and Amos Zook, hymn read by Dea. John K. Stoltzfus; burial was in the Millwood Cemetery, hymn read by Daniel Kanagy of Belleville, abschied by Min. John K. Stoltzfus.

FISHER, Jacob M., 19, Mill Hall R1, Pa.

was fatally injured Nov. 5th when he was thrown from a horse on his Clinton County farm (see front page). He was a son of Levi J. and Rachel S. Fisher, formerly of Quarryville R3. His age was 19 yr., 5 mo., and 22 days.

Funeral services were held in Nittany Valley Nov. 8th at 9 o'clock, by Pre. Joseph S. Fisher of Iva, and Pre. Samuel K. Fisher of Sugar Valley, hymn read by Dea. Christ Lapp of Gap. Burial was on one corner of the home farm, hymn read by Dea. Bennie Beiler of Quarryville, abschied by Bishop Joel Zook of Quarryville. Four teams drove out to the graveyard with three vans of the older folks while the rest walked out over the fields, about 1/3 mile.

KAUFMAN, Jephthah, 81, Arthur, Illinois

died Nov. 26th at the age of 81 yr., 3 mo., and 10 days. Born Aug. 16, 1894, he was a son of Gideon and Elizabeth (Helmuth) Kaufman. Feb. 6, 1917 he was married to Rebecca, daughter of Stephen I. and Catherine (Yoder) Miller, and lived in matrimony 58 yr., 9 mo., 20 days. He was ordained to the ministry April 21, 1929 and served until his health failed. He fell Dec. 31, 1974 and broke his hip, was in the hospital a few weeks but was failing more than before. He attended church pretty regularly, was in church the last three Sundays before his death, and was able to witness the sermon Nov. 23rd then died Nov. 26th at 5:20 p.m. Surviving are his wife; sons, Bishop Andrew, Daniel, Amzy, Noah, Reuben, and Valentine; one daughter, Mrs. Bishop Dan (Katie) Miller; sisters, Mrs. Dan (Susanna) Otto and Mrs. Aaron (Magdalena) Miller; one brother, Dan Kaufman; 52 grandchildren and 41 great-grandchildren. Two sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at the home, three miles west of Arthur, Saturday, Nov. 29th, by Andrew Schrock and Bishop Edward Nisley, scripture read by John Otto in big house. Services in dody house held by Levi G. Miller and Cris Otto, psalm read by Joni Plank. Burial was in the Otto Cemetery.

MILLER, Christ J.C., 77, Fredericksburg R2, Ohio

died Oct. 30 at Pomerene Hospital in Millersburg following a heart attack. Born Jan. 8, 1898 in Holmes County, he was a son of Joe C. and Anna Miller. On Dec. 25, 1919 he married Ada Mae Mast, who died Feb. 9, 1955. On Oct. 17, 1961 he married Ada Glick, who survives. Also surviving are a son, Eli C. of the home; three grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Jonas (Emma) Yoder and Mrs. Dan (Ada) Gingerich, both of Millersburg R5 and Mrs. Enos (Susie) Miller of Hartville; four brothers, Eli J.C. and Abe J.C., both of Millersburg R5, Joe J.C. of Orreville R2 and Monroe J.C. of Apple Creek R1; and three half-brothers, Henry of South Carolina, John of Shreve and Melvin of Wilmot. In addition to his first wife, two daughters and three brothers also died previously.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Nov. 2, at 9 a.m. in the home, by Bishop Roy Miller. Burial was in Schlabach Cemetery in Paint Township.

MILLER, Floyd Ray, 1 mo., Topeka R1, Ind.

died Monday, Nov. 10, in the Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne shortly after he was admitted. Death was due to lung congestion caused by whooping cough. He was born in LaGrange County Hospital Oct. 7th, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond P. Miller. Surviving with the parents are three sisters, Dorothy, Wilma and Freda, two brothers, Freeman and Orvan, all at home; and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Miller and Mr. and Mrs. William D. Yoder all of Topeka.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Nov. 12, at 9:30 a.m. in the home by Bishop Daniel A. Miller. Burial was in Hawpatch Cemetery in Topeka.

MILLER, Norman, 18 mo., Goshen, R4, Indiana

died Nov. 14th from burns received in a fire at the parents' home (see front page). He was born May 7, 1974 and is survived by his parents, Howard and Lillian (Nisley) Miller; two brothers, Nelson, his twin, and Orvan; three sisters, Kathryn, LaVera, and Waneta, all at home; and the grandparents, Bishop and Mrs. Perry Nisley, Goshen, and Pre. and Mrs. Monroe J. Miller, Middlebury. A brother, Kenneth, and a sister, Esther, both died in infancy.

Funeral services were held at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17th, at the Perry Nisley home. Burial was in the Nisley Cemetery.

MILLER, Susan, 85, of Sugarcreek R2, Ohio

died Nov. 10, at the home of her son, Monroe Y. Miller, following a long illness. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Joe B. and Anna (Weaver) Weaver. Her husband, Yost J., died in 1969. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Mattie Mast of Fredericksburg R2, Miss Ada Y. Miller, Millersburg R5, and Miss Ella Y. Miller of Millersburg; three sons, Monroe Y. of the home, Ezra Y. of Millersburg R5, and John Y. of Dundee R1; two sisters, Mrs. Steve S. (Mary) Miller of Millersburg Star Route, and Mrs. Eli A. (Sarah) Miller of Millersburg R4; 18 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; two step grandchildren, and 10 step great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Nov. 12 in the home of her son, Ezra Y. Miller, by Emanuel H. Schlabach. Burial was in Miller Cemetery in Salt Creek Township.

MULLET, Mattie (Yoder), 88, Milford, Indiana

died Nov. 25th. She was born Oct. 24, 1887, and was first married to Widower Samuel Gingerich who had four children from his first marriage—namely, Joe Gingerich of Argos, Ind., Barbara Coblentz of Kalona, Iowa, Rosa Kauffman of Kokomo, Ind., and Priscilla Hakins of Elwood, Ind. To this union was born one son, Mose Gingerich of Goshen, Ind. Samuel died less than two years after they were married. She then married Benedict Mullet Oct. 10, 1928. To this union was born one daughter, Anna married to Joe S. Miller of Milford R2, with whom she made her home. Surviving are nine step children from her second marriage, Steven Mullet of Leesburg, Ind., Amos Mullet of Middlebury, Ind., Roman Mullet of Sarasota, Florida, Mrs. Ralph (Katie) Sommers of Milford, Ind., Albert Mullet of Milford, Ind., Isaac and Henry Mullet of Nappanee, Ind., Mrs. Adlai (Clara) Miller of Arcola, Ill., and Enos Mullet of Lapel, Ind.

STOLTZFUS, Mark K., infant, Honey Brook R2, Pa.

died at 4:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 10, soon after birth. Besides his parents, Benuel F. and Katie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, he is survived by three brothers and a sister, David, Vernon, John Richard, and Marian, all at home; maternal grandparents, Samuel E. and Katie Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, and paternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary B. Stoltzfus, Narvon R1.

TROYER, Mrs. Fanny, 82, Millersburg R4, Ohio

died Friday morning, Oct. 31, in her home after a brief illness. She was the widow of David P. Troyer who died in 1968. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Joni and Catherine (Hershberger) Miller. Surviving are three adopted children, Ivan of the home, Mrs. Carrie Henderson of California, and Mrs. Betty Warren of Georgia; a brother, Eli Miller of Fredericksburg R2; 10 grandchildren, and 26 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, Nov. 3, at 10 a.m. in the home by Bishop David Yoder. Burial was in the Ivan Troyer Cemetery on the home farm in Berlin Township.

WAGLER, Henry, infant, Hamilton, Indiana

son of Menno and Barbara (Schwartz) Wagler, was born Nov. 11th and lived only a few hours. Maternal grandparents are Enos E. Schwartzs, paternal grandmother is Mrs. Rosa Wagler.

Short funeral services were held at Enos E. Schwartzs on November 11th.

YODER, Mrs. Amanda, 77, Millersburg R4, Ohio

died Tuesday, Nov. 4th, in her home after being ill five weeks. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of Levi D. and Lizzie (Yoder) Yoder. Surviving in addition to her husband, Tobias Yoder, are five daughters and three sons, Mrs. Joni E. (Annie) Hershberger of R5 and Mose T. Yoder of R4, both Millersburg, Mrs. Eli R. (Katie) Coblentz of R1, Wilmot, Mrs. Levi A. (Fannie) Hershberger and Noah T. Yoder of Baltic R1, Levi T. of Sugarcreek R1, and Mrs. Albert N. (Mary) Schrock and Sarah Yoder of the home; three brothers, Albert L. Yoder of Millersburg R4, and Noah L. and Levi L. of Baltic R1; 40 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, Nov. 8th, at 9 a.m. in the residence by Bishop Melvin A. Raber. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery in Clark Township.

ZOOK, Miss Susie B., 67, Ronks R1, Pa.

died Monday, Nov. 3, at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital at 8:15 a.m. She had been a patient there since Oct. 19th. Born in Upper Leacock Township, she was a daughter of the late Israel S. and Annie K. (Beiler) Zook. She is survived by one sister, Lydia, wife of Joseph B. Riehl, and a brother, Moses B. Zook, both of Gordonville R1.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Nov. 5, at 11:30 a.m. at the home of John E. Esh, by a nephew, Jonas Ebersol, main sermon by a nephew, Amos B. Zook, hymn read by Jonas Esh; burial at Myers Cemetery, hymn read by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp, abschied by Jonas King.

LANCASTER CO., PA. NOTES

Jacob K. Kings of Hauser Rd., Lancaster had fire in their newly remodeled wash house in back of iron kettle on Tuesday Morning, Dec. 2nd. Jacob had it under control before the fire engines arrived.

Two days later, Thursday Morning, Dec. 4th, Jacob had a mishap when he went to harness the mules. The hired boy heard a noise in horse stable and when he looked found Jacob lying in with mules. He was kicked in forehead and also had a bruise on back of head. They operated on Friday and he has a long way to recovery.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Ethridge, Tennessee

Sarah E., age 20, daughter of Eli N. Stutzman, had an operation at Murry County Hospital Nov. 7th, to have her gall bladder removed which had grown onto the small intestines. She is doing fine.

Jacob J. Gingerich has been diagnosed as being afflicted with Hyperthyroidism.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Allen County, Indiana

John K. Schmucker hit a stone while plowing. It threw him off the plow and hurt his head, causing a brain concussion. He was in the hospital overnight.

Joseph Graber, of Spencerville R1, got two teeth knocked loose when the team got too close to a fence while plowing. A post or board stuck out and he ran into it.

Jonas, age 15, son of Victor Schmuckers hurt his foot while plowing and had to be in the hospital from Monday to Thursday.

WAYNE CO., OHIO MISHAP

Roman J. Yoder, 33, of Fredericksburg R2, had a mishap on Sunday Morning, Nov. 16th, when he slipped on loose straw and fell down on a hay rack. He hit his stomach and burst his liver. He was in intensive care from Sunday till Wednesday, was improving but didn't know when he could come home. He is married to Ada J. Miller and they have no children. Church was at their place on Sunday when it happened.

MARRIAGES

Dover, Delaware

Byler, Miller – Henry A. Jr., son of Henry A. and Alma Byler, to Saloma, daughter of Adam E. and Lizzie Miller, by Bishop Noah S. Byler of Canada, October 9th.

Yoder, Hershberger – Daniel H., son of Henry J. and Elsie Yoder, to Esther J., daughter of Jonas J. and Lydia Hershberger, by Bishop John J. Yoder, October 16th.

Miller, Byler – Ammon Daniel, son of Manilius A. and Verna Miller, to Magdalena C., daughter of Crist J. and Lydia Byler, by Bishop Isaac I. Miller of Holmes County, Ohio, November 20th.

St. Mary's County, Maryland

Fisher, Hertzler – John, son of Isaac Fishers, to Nancy, daughter of Aaron Hertzlers, by Sam J. Stoltzfus, November 11th.

Fisher, Byler – Israel, son of Isaac Fishers,to Hannah, daughter of Christ Bylers; Swarey, Byler – Christ, son of Thomas Swareys, to Rebecca, daughter of Christ Bylers, by John L. Stoltzfus of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, November 13th.

Bradford County, Pennsylvania

Nissley, Girod – David, son of Clemens Nissley, to Emma, daughter of Ernest Girod, by Bishop Roy Nissley, November 6th.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Zook – Samuel, son of Elam and Fannie Beiler, Centre County, to Mary, daughter of Jonas K. and Fannie Zook, by Bishop Jacob Stoltzfus of Centre County, November 6th.

Stoltzfus, Esh – Jonas, son of Samuel S. and Katie Stoltzfus, Lancaster County, to Barbara, daughter of Jacob and Rebecca Esh, by Bishop Daniel Stoltzfus, Clinton County, November 13th.

Fisher, Kauffman – Amos, son of Pre. Samuel and Rachel Fisher, Clinton County, to Lydia, daughter of John and Annie Kauffman, by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus of Lancaster County, November 27th.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Peachey, Peachey – Emanuel, son of John and Lydia (Peachey) Peachey, to Mary, daughter of David N. and Lydia (Kanagy) Peachey, by Emanuel K. Peachey, November 6th.

Swarey, Peachey – Samuel, son of Ezra and Mary (Yoder) Swarey, to Sylvia, daughter of Pre. Samuel T. and Salina (Peachey) Peachey, by Simon Brenneman of Ashland, Ohio, November 13th.

Byler, Zook – Samuel, son of Andy and Annie (Yoder) Byler, to Lydia, daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Yoder) Zook, by Jacob E. Byler, November 18th.

Peachey, Peachey – Andy, son of Enos and Lizzie (Lee) Peachey, to Barbara, daughter of Pre. Daniel L. and Fannie (Yoder) Peachey; Swarey, Peachey – John, son of John D. and Mary (Renno) Swarey, to Lizzie, daughter of Pre. Daniel L. and Fannie (Yoder) Peachey, by John Brenneman of Ohio, November 20th.

Adams County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Kauffman – Israel Z., son of Moses S. and Elizabeth A. (Swarey) Stoltzfus of Gettysburg, to Eva M., daughter of Mike S. and Anna L. Kauffman of Orristown (Franklin Co.), by Bishop Andy Weaver of Wayne County, Ohio, November 6th.

Zook, Fisher – Jonathan, son of David Zooks of Lancaster County, to Mary, daughter of Stephen B. and Edith B. (Byler) Fisher; Stoltzfus, Fisher – Omer, son of David Stoltzfus of Lancaster County, to Barbara, daughter of Stephen B. and Edith B. (Byler) Fisher, by Bishop David Riehl of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, November 27th.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Yoder, Kinsinger – Paul, son of Joseph A. and Katie (Peachey) Yoder, to Rebecca, daughter of John N. and Elizabeth (Beiler) Kinsinger, by Bishop Albert E. Brenneman, November 9th.

Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, Kauffman – Danny, son of Mose E. and Maryann Miller, to Annie, daughter of Widow Ella Kauffman, October 30th.

Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Yoder – Wolly, son of Dan C. Byler, to Ann, daughter of Andy Yoders.

Holmes County, Ohio

Troyer, Miller – Abe Jr., son of Abe Troyers of Fresno R3, to Erma, daughter of Roy J. and Abbie (Miller) Miller of Millersburg R3, by Bishop Joe M. Hershberger, October 30th.

Raber, Miller – Dan, son of Bishop David and Amanda Raber, to Lydia, daughter of John and Mattie (Stutzman) Miller, November 6th.

Hershberger, Miller – Alvin, son of Mrs. V. A. Hershberger of Millersburg R3, to Lizzie, daughter of Dan and Susie Miller of Millersburg R3, by Bishop Dan G. Yoder, November 6th.

Yoder, Miller – Menno, son of Amos M. and Amanda (Troyer) Yoder, to Fannie, daughter of Neal C. and Mary (Yoder) Miller, by Bishop Andy N. Troyer, November 11th.

Yoder, Yoder – Jonas, son of Amos M. and Amanda (Troyer) Yoder, to Ella, daughter of John L. and the late Mattie (Troyer) Yoder, by Menno N. Schlabach, November 25th.

Eicher, Miller – Widower Ernest Miller of Indiana, to Rachel, daughter of Mose P. and Amanda (Hershberger) Miller, November 27th.

Mullet, Schlabach – David, son of Jonas and Mattie (Weaver) Mullet, to Ruth, daughter of Calvin and Nettie (Miller) Schlabach, by Bishop Isaac Miller, November 27th.

Kuhns, Schlabauch – Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kuhns of Holmesville R1, to Mary, daughter of Neal D. and Katie (Yoder) Schlabauch of Millersburg R2, by Bishop Lester Schlabach, November 27th.

Camden, Michigan

Delagrange, Steury – John, son of Henry and Rosa (Wittmer) Delagrange, to Margaret, daughter of Martin and Effie Mae (Brandenburger) Steury, October 23rd.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Nisley – Freeman, son of Noah M. and Lizzie Ann (Miller) Miller, to LeAnna, daughter of Irvin and Elizabeth (Bontrager) Nisley, November 6th.

Bontrager, Kauffman – Daniel, son of Andrew E. and Edna (Schrock) Bontrager, to Mary, daughter of Harvey and Fannie (Plank) Kauffman, November 6th.

Hochstedler, Miller – Alvin son of David Hochstedlers, to Edna, daughter of Ervin A. and Lizzie (Plank) Miller, November 6th.

Miller, Miller – Eli, son of Roy J. and Edna M. (Hochstedler) Miller, to Wilma, daughter of the late Tobe and Lizzie Ann (Miller) Miller, November 13th.

Knepp, Herschberger – John, son of Chris and Mary (Lambright) Knepp, to Katie, daughter of Ben and Lizzie (Miller) Herschberger, by the groom's uncle, John Helmuth of Nappanee, November 13th.

Bontrager, Bontrager – Joseph, son of Bishop Daniel J. and Mary R. (Bontrager) Bontrager, to Edna, daughter of Levi D. and Elizabeth (Schlabach) Bontrager, in November.

Beechy, Yoder – Olen, son of Alvin and Ida (Lehman) Beechy, to Ida Carolyn, daughter of John M. and Alta (Wingard) Yoder, in November.

Nappanee, Indiana

Miller, Borkholder – Daniel, son of Owen and Edna (Schmucker) Miller of Nappanee R2, to Lena, daughter of Tobias and Anna (Bontrager) Borkholder of Nappanee R3, by Bishop Henry Yoder, Nov. 6th.

Kokomo, Indiana

Hostetler, Otto – Lester, son of Joe and Mattie (Hochstedler) Hostetler of Arthur, Illinois, to Delores Ann, daughter of Simon J. and Edna (Lee) Otto, by Bishop Noah J. Hochstedler, November 13th.

Arthur, Illinois

Schrock, Yoder – Joseph, son of Andrew and Drusilla (Yoder) Schrock, to Sarah, daughter of Eli D. and the late Katiean (Mast) Yoder, November 18th.

Yoder, Herschberger – Glen, son of Noah J. and Clara (Beachy) Yoder, to Erma, daughter of Ervin and Tillie (Kaufman) Herschberger, November 20th.

Garnett, Kansas

Yoder, Troyer – Jerry Lee, son of Ira and Ida (Miller) Yoder, to Nancy, daughter of Melvin and Lizzie Anna (Farmwald) Troyer, by Bishop Jerry Yoder, November 20th.

Seymour (Webster County), Missouri

Schwartz, Schwartz – Petie J., son of Bishop Jacob P. Schwartz, to Lizzie P., daughter of Deacon Chris G. Schwartz, November 27th.

Jamesport, Missouri

Gingerich, Hostetler – Wilmer, son of Monroe and Elvie (Hostetler) Gingerich, to Linda, daughter of William and Verna (Troyer) Hostetler, November 13th.

Swartz, Miller – David, son of Sam and Susie (Miller) Swartz, to Barbara, daughter of Levi N. and Annie (Troyer) Miller, November 20th.

Johnson County, Iowa

Shetler, Swartz – Widower Dan Shetler to Widow Ada Swartz of Berne, Indiana on Thanksgiving Day. She, with her family, will come to Iowa to live.

Beachy, Schrock – Roy, son of Glen Beachys, to Elizabeth Ann, daughter of Dan Schrocks of Illinois on December 11th.

Buchanan County, Iowa

Schwarz, Kauffman – Andy, son of Bishop Menno Schwarz Jr., to Mattie, daughter of Dan Kauffmans, by Bishop Phillip Yoder, Fairbank, Iowa, Nov. 18th.

Amherst, Wisconsin

Gingerich, Schmucker – Daniel U., son of Ura E. Gingerich, to Leanna, daughter of Emmon W. Schmuckers, November 20th.

Wilton, Wisconsin

Yoder, Miller – Joe, son of Enos J. Yoder of Canada, to Fannie, daughter of Jonas Miller, by Bishop Enos J. Yoder, November 27th.

Norwich, Ontario

Stutzman, Miller – Joe E., son of John J. and Lydia (Miller) Stutzman of Mt. Elgin R1, to Ella M., daughter of Mose J. and Barbara (Stutzman) Miller of Norwich R1, by Bishop Eli E. Swartzentruber, on November 20th.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Anabel, Missouri

Ezra, 9-year-old son of Albert Jay and Edna (Yoder) Troyer, was attacked by a mad cow and received a few injured vertebras and ribs besides a few bruises. He was confined in bed a few days.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Arthur, Illinois

Mrs. Amanda Yoder was in the hospital from Nov. 10th to the 29th. Mrs. Lloyd (Anna) Beachey was in the hospital and at last reports showed some improvements.

Nov. 21st was the farm sale of Andy Jess. They have a 3-year-old girl that doesn't seem to hear. They have found an aid that seems to help her, and they are moving to Iowa for more convenient and regular treatments.

ALLEN CO., IND. GIRL HAS BROKEN LEG

Susan, age 18, daughter of Fred Wittmers, was milking when a cow fell on her leg causing a bad break below the knee. She had to have the bone scraped and have a steel plate and seven pins put in. She was in the hospital several days and has to be in cast for sometime yet.

MIGRATIONS – Evansville, Wisconsin

This is a new Amish settlement being started this winter. John R. Yutzy and family moved here from Milroy, Indiana, October 14th. Dea. John Henry Whetstone of Nappanee, Indiana bought a farm here and are planning to move sometime in January. Ezra H. Bontragers of LaGrange, Indiana also bough a farm and plan to move in January.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

We had nice fall weather with an occasional shower. Total for the month was 4.8 inches. Lots of nice weather that farmers got a lot of fodder shredded. Temperature was about normal for the month, with a high of 80 on the eighth, and a low of 24 on the 1st and on the 23rd. We had our first killing frost on Nov. 1. Fall seedings look extra good except when planted late. Livestock is still on pasture. Hog prices are declining, beef steady, milk and eggs holding fair, but feed costs rising again.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R. Stoltzfus

We had our first killing frost Nov. 1, but exceptionally nice weather all month. Children went barefoot most of the first week and part of the second. It got cold on the 13th, rained 1½ inches the night before and got windy, but soon pretty weather again. Coldest for the month was 25 on Nov. 29, about 2 in. rainfall.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, by Levi Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 2.5 inches.

Market report: Fat steers $48 to $52.75 cwt.; feeders $28 to $40 cwt.; fat hogs $51 to $55 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs $1.01 to $1.10 lb. veal $60 to $65 cwt.; heavy fowl 15¢ to 20¢ lb.; pullets 50¢ lb.; roasters 45¢ lb.; ducks 55¢ to 70¢ lb.; turkeys 44¢ to 50¢ lb; large eggs 69¢ doz. Potatoes retail $6.00 cwt.; hay $45 to $103 ton; straw $45 to $59 ton; corn $2.55 bu. or $65 ton; wheat $3.30 bu.; barley $1.85; oats $1.65; Dairy cows at New Holland $675 to $960; milk $10 cwt.

by Phares Z. Stoltzfus

The bright blue days of October also came in November this year. The first week was like midsummer with three days of 80 to 85 degrees. We had another warm spell the 16th to 20th. A lot of frosty mornings the last ten days. Corn is all husked, and a lot of fodder was baled this month. Lawns were being mowed up to Thanksgiving Day. Showers in November totaled 2½ inches. The first snow flurries on the 14th. Also a lot of plowing was done as soon as it was cool enough for the horses.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

November was mostly warmer than usual except a few cold snaps. Only a few mornings that the ground was frozen, and only a little over the top. A total of 4.6 inches rainfall kept the grain fields and pastures green yet.

Bradford County, Pennsylvania, by Clemens Nissley

The weather in November was very mild. We have had two light snows in latter part; neither stayed very long. On Thanksgiving morning we had snow, turning to rain, then clearing and warmer again. Farmers are husking corn and getting in wood. A lot of plowing has been done. Cattle prices are a little stronger, also milk. We got $9.94 cwt. for 3.5 test in Oct.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Beiler

The first week of November was warm and sunny; the second week started in rainy. By the end of the week we had several days of snow flurries. The ground was white the morning of the 15th. The third week was nice again. The 26th we had a nice snow, but by evening it was gone. Thanksgiving started in rainy and windy; by noon it was cleared off and colder. The next two days were cloudy and cold. The last of November was sunny, turning windy and rainy.

Centre County, Pennsylvania, by David B. Stoltzfus

Our mild weather came to an end with two inches of rain the second week of November. Some plowing was begun then, but it plowed quite hard until after Thanksgiving with ½ inch rain, and another ½ inch the last night of the month. A covering of snow fell Nov. 25, lasting until noon the next day.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam M. Troyer

It was a mild November for us; no snow, a few cool mornings down around 26. There was something over three inches of rain. Fall crops are in. Corn wasn't as good as sometimes because of the dry spell we had in July. Deer season is to open tomorrow and the wind is from the southwest, could be rainy.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

November had many beautiful days, sunny and warm. The low was 20. Total rainfall 2 in. Snow flurries on Nov. 13th and 22nd. Corn is all husked, some fodder has been hauled in. Some plowing has been done, but it is plenty dry now. A lot of gardens have been dug.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y. Renno

Weather was mostly fair and warm. Total rainfall was 3¼ inches, which is normal; making a total of 52 inches for the year, ten inches above normal. We had several cold spells when the temperature dropped in the low 20's, but very little stormy weather, and no snow yet this fall. Deer season came in cold and windy Dec. 1, which was in the hunter's favor. Acorns are very scarce this year on the mountains, so deer have been feeding in the fields most of the fall, and are very plentiful. Farmers have been doing fall plowing and repair work before winter sets in.

Franklin County, Pennsylvania, by Jacob Fraud

We had beautiful fall weather through November, but several cold and windy days. Fall work is about all done. Small grain is started nicely. Corn crop was fair. Some was picked a little soon and started to spoil in the cribs.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

We had beautiful fall weather in November, with plenty of rain, a total of 4.3 inches. The coldest for the month was 24. Maple leaves stayed on the trees longer than usual. A lot blew off the last few days in Nov. Farmers were trying to get their corn picked whenever they could, but there is still plenty to be picked, which will protect the deer. Deer season opened Dec. 1. Wheat fields are getting green, but a lot of fields remain unsowed due to the ground being too wet to get fall work done.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Abe S. Kinsinger

The weather was exceptionally nice for November, with children going to church barefooted Nov. 9. We had a cold wave with a skift of snow on the 13th and 14th, but again our nice weather returned. Corn is about all cribbed, and some plowing and building going on, with people hoping for more nice weather.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania, by Dan J. Troyer

Weather in November was nice and mild. Temperature seemed above normal, coldest around 22. Some damp and drizzly days, but no heavy rains. Snow flurries on the 13th and 21st, but melted as it came. On the 25th we had a little more, that lasted until noon the next day. Fall work is well done. Men are now deer hunting, no snow for tracking.

Townville, Pennsylvania, by Willis Hostetler

The first half of November was exceptionally nice, a beautiful Indian summer. We had a few snow flurries the third week, but it turned nice again. Then we had colder with some snow over Thanksgiving. Corn is practically all harvested.

Guys Mills, Pennsylvania, by Melvin D. Byler

The weather through October was very nice with temperature in the high 60's and only a few cool spells. We also had exceptionally nice weather for November. We had a few light snows toward the end of the month. Our low was 16. Corn is about all harvested, which was an excellent crop. Grain prices are holding about same, except corn is somewhat lower than last year. Soybean meal $7.55 cwt; Brewer's $8.00 cwt. Milk has taken a few jumps the last two months. Grade B was $8.61 cwt. for 3.5 test; Grade A was $9.80 for 3.5 test. Dairy cows up to $500 to $700; first calf heifers from $400 to $550. Beef is still low, from 17¢ to 22¢ lb.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Fisher

November was changeable. We had Indian summer the first part of the month, then a lot of snow the middle part, then we had some cloudy, rainy weather. Farmers are catching up on odd jobs, hauling manure, making firewood; some are plowing.

St. Lawrence County, New York, by Jerry Schwartz

In November we had some very nice fall weather, in spite of the three snows we had which totaled 18 inches. An all day rain melted it all again. Our low for Nov. was 6 above. We had very little rain all summer, and late planted corn was rather light, but early corn did very well.

Conewango Valley, New York, by Mrs. Menno Miller

We had some snow in November and several hard frosts. Main work was cutting wood and getting ready for winter.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Lovina J. Miller

We had two very light snows this month, about 3 inches rain, and many beautiful fall days. Corn is all husked except some shocks yet. A lot of farmers made third cutting hay this year as we had such good rains in September. Apples were a good crop in this part of the state.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Mary Yoder

We had a very nice fall. Temperature was up in the 70's the week of November 10. Nov. 14 the ground was white with snow, our first snow for this fall. A lot of plowing was done with this nice weather.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

The month of October had warmer days and lots of moisture. November had scattered showers. The first killing frost was Oct. 3, first snow flakes Nov. 13. This month had a low of 20. A few hard frosts. Corn is all harvested, which was a good crop. Butchering has begun. Fall wheat looks very good.

Eastern Holmes, by Raymond S. Weaver

Warm weather prevailed through November. Rain on the tenth, killing frosts on the 23rd and 24th. First snow flurries on the 25th. November brought us pleasant fall weather. Corn is mostly in, a good crop, and some people have started plowing corn stalks.

Southeastern Holmes, by John L. Yoder

November brought us a majority of nice and sunny days, also including some rain and a few snow flurries. Ground was frozen several times, but most of the cattle are on pasture yet. Springs are at a strong flow. Corn husking is about at a close. Pig and hog prices have moderated a bit; beef prices up some.

Ashland County, Ohio, by Katie Brenneman

Most of November was very nice and warm. We had a little snow the last part, with temperature in the low 20's. Most people are finished with cornhusking. I dug some carrots the first part of the month and found one weighing 2½ pounds, and was over 4 in. in diameter.

Utica, Ohio, by Mrs. Melvin E. Hershberger

The rainfall was 1.5 in. We had a high of 75 on three different days, and the low was 15 on the 23rd. We had no freezing weather from the second to the tenth, then from the eleventh to the end of the month we had freezing temperatures. A beautiful sunny fall like this we haven't seen in many years. Most of the corn and beans are out. A lot of meat butchering is on the list at present. Milk price is up to $10 cwt.

Camden, Michigan, by Levi R. Graber

The corn was mostly harvested the last week of October and first week of November, and was better than average. Weather was ideal for fall plowing and preparing for winter. We had our first snow Nov. 25, with about 3 inches, and 5 inches on the 27th. County Line Cheese Co. paid $7.00 cwt. for 4% milk.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

The first part of November was warm like the last part of October. On the ninth and tenth it was quite windy. It was reported a large ore ship sank that evening on Lake Superior, with 29 people aboard, no survivors. The waves were more than 20 feet high. It then turned colder with a little snow on the 13th, but did not last long with warmer weather again. It was in the 60's for three days, with rain on the 20th and colder, then an inch of snow. We had about 4 inches of snow over Thanksgiving, and then enough rain to melt the snow in one night. Deer season is over; only three bucks shot this year by the Amish here, and one with bow. Farmers are doing usual fall work before winter sets in. Corn is about all husked. Grade B bulk milk price is $8.00 cwt. for 3.5 test.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

First part of the month was quite warm and dry, turning colder around the 18th with snow and rain, plus strong winds of tornado force. The week of Thanksgiving we received more snow, and much colder. Truman Borntrager's pole shed blew over, but no stock killed. There is lots of corn not harvested yet, and is down at some places. There is lots of good corn in the area, but lots of poor corn, too.

Branch County, Michigan, by Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

November has been a mild month. Sunny, spring-like week of 15th to 20th. We had six rainy days. Our first snow was on the 13th, also snow on the 21st, 24th, 25th, and 26th. We had a white Thanksgiving. Deer season is past. Several deer have been shot by the Amish. November went out with high winds and rain. Snow is gone.

Centreville, Michigan, by Treva Yoder

November was a nice month the first two weeks. We had a white Thanksgiving, then the 29th it rained all day. We did not have any snow left by Sunday. Fat hogs were 63½ ¢.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

November's weather seems to be a continuation of October's bright blue weather. We had some cooler weather and some showers around the 13th. Since it has warmed up again to the 60's, clear skies and beautiful moonlit nights. Corn husking is pretty well done, of extra good quality and quantity, mostly around 100 bushels to the acre. Women have quite well finished gardens and canning, wanting to get at sewing and quilt piecing. The 20th it rained all day. Friday was still dreary and colder. Saturday it was sunny again. Thanksgiving Day was minus sunshine, some snow flurries, and 20 degrees in the morning.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

November 1 rainy, nice fall weather the rest of the week till the 7th, rain, clearing off in P. M. The 10th very high winds, some reported it was more than 40 miles per hour. The 11th sunny and warm with some people still mowing yards. The 12th to 14th, snow flurries. It warmed up and was very nice and sunny the next week. Most people are done harvesting corn. The 24th to 26th we had 4 to 6 inches snow. The 27th and 28th cloudy and cold, 29th rain and freezing. Quite a few men have gone for deer and had good luck.

Kosciusko County, Indiana, by Joni D. Gingerich

November was a very nice month. We had several cool spells, but they did not last long. The coldest was 15 on the 28th, and the high was 76 on the 6th. We did not have much rain until the 28th and 29th, when it rained 3½ inches, which made a total of 5 in. for the month. Our first snow for the season came on Nov. 13, just a light skiff. On the 26th it snowed 3 inches during the night, but the rain on the 28th soon took that away. We had 9 days of sunshine, and 5 days all cloudy. Some days were almost like summer. Crops are all gathered and a lot of corn shredding is done. The local buyers were offering $53.25 for choice hogs last Friday. Soybean $4.46; shelled corn $2.35; oats $1.60.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

November was a fairly warm month. We had a high of 78 on the sixth, and a low of 23 on the 23rd. We had a white Thanksgiving with 4 inches of snow. The last of the month was quite a contrast from 62 in the morning to 20 by evening. There was an eclipse of the moon on the 18th.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

November brought some very changeable weather. The first part was very nice and warm with temperature in the high 60's, but by the thirteenth it had changed to damp, cold, windy weather with snow flurries most of the day. The next few days brought warmer temperatures again with nice sunshine. Towards the last of the month it turned colder again, bringing us a white Thanksgiving. The roads had a coat of ice under the snow, causing some to give up travel plans. Most of the fall crops are in, and lots of fall plowing done. Hog prices are slowly rising.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

The weather was somewhat changeable in Nov. We had some very nice, warm days, but also some rain, wind, and snow flurries. We had about 3 inches of rain, also 2 inches of snow over Thanksgiving. There was lots of plowing done, but a few mornings the temp. was down to 20, and frozen too hard to plow. Corn is all gathered. Some of the piles of shelled corn at the elevators have been reduced and partly picked up.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

We had warmer than normal weather during November. Rainfall was about average. Low so far was 26. We had snow flurries off and on, but did not stay. Still some late beans to be harvested. Yield was lower than usual, due to drought. Fall plowing is mostly done. Cutting wood, getting caught up with odds and ends, plus some carpenter work are the order of the day. Beans $4.42; corn $2.40.

Ethridge, Tennessee, by Jacob J. Gingerich

The weather has been fair for November, with 5½ inches rainfall. Most crops are harvested. Our corn husking was finished today. A lot of tobacco has been stripped, but still some to be done. The first sale brought prices as high as $1.10 per lb. There are still a few fields of beans, cotton, and corn out. The last day of molasses cooking was Nov. 13, which had a few snow flakes floating in the air most of the day. On the 15th we had a heavy killing frost. Low for the month was 26, high 74. All or nearly all crops yielded some better than last year. Soybeams have been as low as $4.75 per bu.

Garnett, Kansas, by Edward H. Yoder

November was an unusual month with unseasonably high temperatures and not much rainfall. Of the 2 inches precipitation received here, over an inch was received in snow on Nov. 26 and rain on Nov. 29. High for the month was 77 on Nov. 7 & 8, and the low was 16 on Nov. 22. Snow on Nov. 26 totaled 10 inches on the level. Wheat is looking good, and some has plenty of growth for best results. More fall tilling has been done than farmers have been able to do for years. Cattle are selling better, particularly unfinished cattle.

Reno County, Kansas (Partridge), by Edward Mast

The first part of the month was very pleasant, quite warm for this time of the year. On the 19th it rained most of the day, turning into snow the next day with high winds. Most of the milo still in the fields went down. The 25th we had more snow and temperatures down to 5 on the 26th. Several days later a strong south wind melted all the snow and brought rain with temperature up to 60. A lot of the milo had to be cut wet and dried.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by Mrs. E. E. Schrock

November has had a variety of weather, rain, snow, winds, and cold; the coldest being 8 degrees. The ground was covered with snow over Thanksgiving Day. We had a few nice, warm days the first part of the month. We had from 4 to 5 inches of rain in November. Fall crops have all been gathered. Butchering has started, with no trouble in chilling themeat.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

The first half of November was very nice. Some late hay was made and nice weather for building, etc. We had a cold snap the 13th and 14th, then it warmed up several days. On the 25th it grew colder and started to snow. We had from 6 to 8 inches by morning and temperature down to 6 degrees. It warmed up again and we had a good heavy rain with temperature at 60. Rainfall had been very light the last month, but ponds are full now again. Pig prices up and down. Milk going up some, being $8.00 for 3.5 test.

Anabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

October was a very beautiful month. Very little moisture, which enabled farmers to get their crops in. Oct. 2 brought our first killing frost. No more cold weather until the middle of November. The forepart of November also brought very little moisture. Not much plowing has been done, due to too dry ground, being unable to pull plows and keep plows in ground. We had our first snow flurries Nov. 12. Six inches of snow fell on the 26th, but was all gone by Nov. 29. We had a real soaker the 29th, our first for a few months. It has turned cold again and ground is freezing. People are hauling water as ponds and cisterns are empty like never seen in the last 19 years. Shredding has started.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

Weather for November was pleasant, only a few cool spells for a day or two, and enough moisture for the wheat to get a good start. Beans and corn were harvested with very little interference from the weather. There is still some building going on. We had 6 to 8 inches of snow Thanksgiving week, and then warmer and enough rain in one night to take nearly all the snow overnight.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

We had some nice warm days in November, but also a wintry spell the 26th, with 4 to 5 inches snow. The 29th temperature was up to 60 again, and had an inch of rain, so the snow is all gone again.

Webster County, Missouri, by Menno D. Schwartz

We are having nice weather again right now, but the month was changeable. On the 26th we had 26 degrees and 6 inches snow, but it was all gone in 3 days with a little rain. The grass is about done for this fall. Most farmers are feeding hay. Hay is still high priced, mostly around $1.50 per bale. Hog prices holding at 51¢ to 53¢. Grain (feed) is down a little. Eggs are up to 75¢ again at stores. Beef is somewhat low, the best is up to 30¢.

Bloomfield, Iowa, by Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

October was a beautiful month, warmer than September, but very little moisture. The first and third weeks of November were nice and warm, which was ideal for corn husking. On Nov. 9 we had a wind and rain storm, doing some damage locally. On the 12th it was blustery and snowy. Thanksgiving week was wintry with a heavy snow on the 26th. By Dec. 2 it moderated again. Corn to husk and shred yet, plus numerous other jobs before winter sets in. It has been too dry to plow successfully most of the fall.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

We have had a very nice fall to gather in crops, and most of the crops were in by Nov. 1. Lots of plowing has been done, and also building, but now the last nine days weather has been wintry. Quite a few got caught before they are done building. We have around 4 inches snow now (Nov. 28).

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

November was a fair month. Our coldest was 10°. At two different times we had a light snow, could be 3 inches in all. Nov 29 we had rain, a few inches. Lots of farm sales, and five families moved out of state. Crops are about all harvested, and some plowing has been done.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Moses S. Miller

November started in very sunny and warm. Towards the middle of the month it cooled off. Snowed the 21st, enough for the deer hunters. On the 29th we had an all day rain which melted all the snow. The coldest for November was 4 above zero. A lot of plowing was done this fall.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

The first half of November was nice and warm. There was a lot of plowing done, and building, remodeling, etc. The coldest was 4 the week of Thanksgiving. We had snow twice that melted soon. Still some snow on ground, and is cooler again. Calves and slaughter cows are still very cheap. Milk cows are going up. Milk is $8.60 for 3.5 test.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Joe C. Borntreger

The weather in November was mild, children still running barefoot the 19th. On the 20th it started to rain, and by the next morning we had a light cover of snow. It kept getting colder and by the 26th it hit zero, also more snow. The 29th we had thunder showers and most of the snow disappeared. The 30th we had a strong west wind and snow, down to 8 degrees the next morning.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

Our November weather was unusually nice, with temperature at 60 a few days. We had a chilly rain on the ninth, but warmed up again. Some plowing was done the week of the 16th. Our winter set in rather suddenly when we had an all day rain the 20th. It turned colder and the next morning the ground was white. On Thanksgiving we had an all day snow again. Warmed up since, some foggy weather.

Chetek, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Henry Lehman

The first part of November was beautiful weather. Children didn't think of wearing coats. The ninth it started to rain at noon and turned to snow toward evening. Not cold, but a real wet snow. The tenth the ground was white, but was mostly all gone by evening, so we had nice weather again until the 20th it snowed and stayed on the ground. We have been having some light snowfalls off and on. The ground is not completely covered. The 26th we had 2 below zero, which was quite a change from the nice weather.

Evansville, Wisconsin, by John R. Yutzy

November started in on the warm side. It was up to 70 a few times. Nov. 9 we had a strong wind with rain, then turned cooler. We had a low of 18 on the 25th. Rain totaled 2½ inches, which helped fall plowing and a lot was done. We had two 1 inch snows and a 3 inch snow. It was white on Thanksgiving. It warmed up again the last of the month and melted all the snow, with rain falling on the 29th. Snow flurries on the 30th. Milk was $9.00 for 3.5 test in October, and is supposed to be higher for November. Corn crop was good here this year, with some being as dry as 15% in the field. A lot of farm sales in this area at present. Average grade cow is selling from $500 to $600. Farmers are kept busy choring and attending farm sales.

Medford, Wisconsin, by John Schmucker, Jr.

November was warm but wet, with one day when the temperature dropped to one below zero. The high was 70 on the sixth. Some children were still going barefoot the first part of November. We had snow the week of Thanksgiving.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William M. Schrock, Sr.

We had a lot of nice weather in November. The first morning was foggy. On the fifth it was up to 58. Coldest for the month was 4 below zero on the 25th and 26th. Work among the men is mostly cutting wood and doing chores. We are done at the sawmill for now. Cattle prices run about the same, milk prices are up. Hay sells for a lot less than a year ago.

Canton, Minnesota, by Chriss H. Stutzman

It was fair the first week in November. We had thunder showers the ninth, which was greatly appreciated as it was quite dry. Farmers started their fall plowing soon after the rains. We had our first snow flurries Nov. 12. We had some warm days again after that. Nov. 22 a strong wind and quite a bit of snow. We had a white Thanksgiving, temperature at 17. The morning before it was 4 above zero.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

Although the last week of November was quite cold, the month as a whole was warm, being the warmest November on record since 1931. Farmers were able to plow up to the end of the month. Many are done, and the rest are nearly done. Weaner pig prices are very high with many bringing over $70, and some as high as $80. Beef prices, especially cheaper cattle, are still sluggish. Fat hogs are selling for $70 to $74 dressed weight. Canada's postal workers went back to work on Dec. 3 after a strike of six weeks.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

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MARRIAGES OF 50 YEARS AND OVER

Haven, Reno County, Kansas

March 13, 1913 – Pre. David K. and Mary (Bontrager) Bontrager, Haven, R2, Kansas.

November 30, 1922 – Samuel S. and Lydia (Schrock) Schrock, Haven R2, Kansas.

February 26, 1925 – Sam D. and Katie (Yoder) Plank, Yoder, Kansas.

MIGRATIONS

David J. Masts, with their family of eight children, moved from Apple Creek, Ohio to near Preston, Minnesota, November 25th.

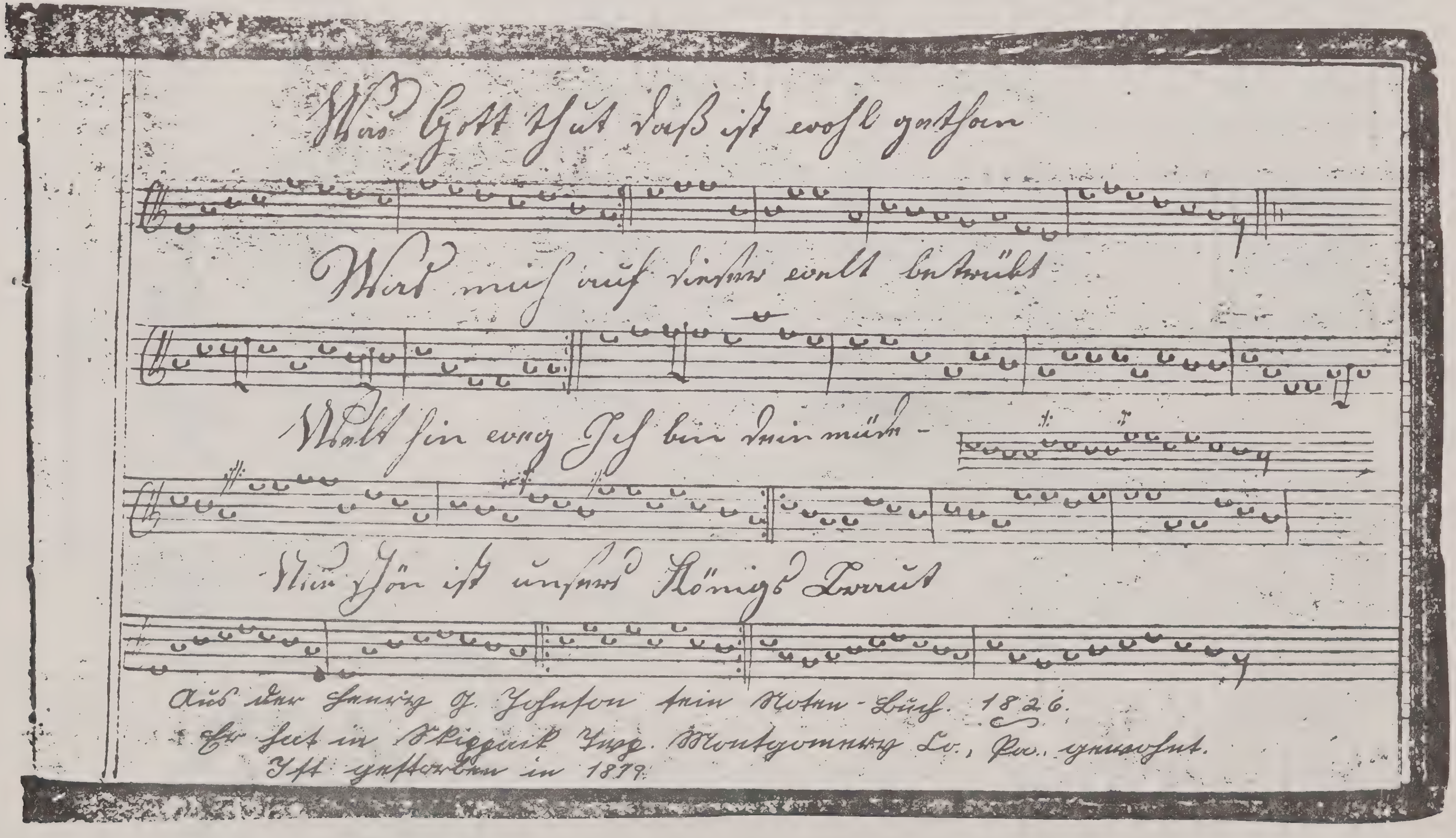
The following moved from Ashland County, Ohio to Greenwood, Wisconsin: Roy J. Yoders, Jacob J.C. Yoders, Dan D. Gingerichs, Rudy and Joni Gingerich, and Levi R. Yoders.

Ben D. Hostetlers moved from St. Mary's County, Maryland to Path Valley, Pa., November 18th.

Levi J. Yoders moved from St. Mary's County, Maryland to Path Valley, Pa., last week in September.

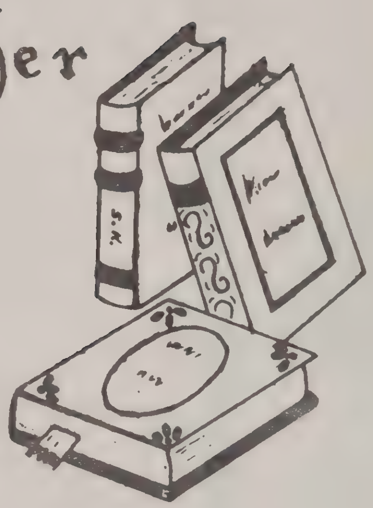
David A. Hostetlers moved from St. Mary's County, Maryland to Path Valley, Pa., last week in September.

The Wm. A. Plank family moved from Princeton, Wisconsin to Dover, Delaware during the week of November 24th.


Was Gott thut daß ist wohl gethan
Was mich auf dieser welt betrübt
Welt sein ewig Ich bin dein mein -
Mein Zion ist unsers Königs Braut

Aus der Henrich J. Johnson sein Noten-Buch. 1826.
Er hat in Skippack Twp. Montgomery Co., Pa. gewohnt.
Ist gestorben in 1879.

Unſere Geiſtliche Bücher



Lasset das Wort Christi unter euch reichlich wohnen in aller Weisheit; lehret und vermahnet euch selbst mit Psalmen und Lobgesangen und geistlichen Liedern, und singet dem Herren in eurem Herzen.

Kolosser 3:16

90. Mel. Wer nur den lieben Gott. (27)

Mein Gott, ein reines herz doch lenke, Zu danken dir ohn heucheley Für deine gaben und geſchenke Und väterliche lieb und treu. Dein vaterherz verſorget ſein Die menſchen, vieh und vögelein.

2. Mein Gott, du haſt uns laſſen ſäen Den ſaamen in die erde dein; Durch deine gnade iſts geſchehen, Daß er alſo gewachſen ſein. Dein vaterherz verſorget ſein Die menſchen, vieh und vögelein.

3. Durch wind und ſturm, durch ſchnee und regen, Durch froſt und hitz, durch kält und eis, Haſt du, o Gott, durch deinen ſegen, Die frücht vermehrt zu unſrer ſpeis. Dein vaterherz verſorget ſein Die menſchen, vieh und vögelein.

4. Bedenkets doch, ihr menſchenkinder, Und ſchaut die weisheit Gottes an, Wie auch der große Gott den winter Zur fruchtbarkeit gebrauchen kann. Sein vaterherz verſorget ſein Die menſchen, vieh und vögelein.

5. Da nun die erndt herbeygekommen, So ſchlugen wir die ſichel an; Da ſahen wir ganz mit erſtaunen, Wie Gottes hand vermehren kann. Sein vaterherz verſorget ſein Die menſchen, vieh und vögelein.

6. Da nun die gaben all geſammelt, Wurden die ſcheuern angefüllt; Darum mein herz ein loblied ſtammelt Dem großen Gott, der uns erhält. Sein vaterherz verſorget ſein Die menſchen, vieh und vögelein.

7. Nun Vater, haſt du uns gegeben Geſundheit, ſtärk und kraft dabey, Zu ſammeln deinen reichen ſegen; Hilf, daß wir danken dir aufs neu. Dein vaterherz verſorget ſein Die menſchen, vieh und vögelein.

8. Nun Vater, ſo es iſt dein wille, Zu erhalten die gaben dein; So ſchenke, daß wir's in der ſtille Zu deiner ehr gebrauchen ſein. Dein vaterherz verſorgen thut All creaturen bös und gut.

9. Hilf, daß das herz ſich nicht erhebe, Und wir die gaben beten an, Damit der fluch es nicht belege, Wie Chriſtus ſagt vom reichen mann, Der die ſein'n Schöpfer ganz vergaß, Darum er dort im leiden ſaß.

10. Hilf, daß die hand auch offen ſtehe, Dem dürftigen zu theilen mit, Damit den armen auch geſchehe Die hülf von deiner hand geſchickt. Dem großen Gott, der uns erhält, Bring lob und dank die ganze welt.

11. Mein Jeſus! hilf du uns auch ſäen Ein' gute ſaat zur ewigkeit, Daß wir am end doch dürften ſtehen Zu deiner rechten allbereit, Und unſre garben bringen ſein, Und ſtimmen mit dem loblied ein.

12. Wo patriarchen und propheten, Apoſtel, ſammt der ſel'gen ſchaar, Den großen Schöpfer thun anbeten, Mit lobgeſängen immerdar: Heilig, heilig iſt Gott der Herr, Mit lob und dank, ſammt preis und ehr.

This is perhaps the most outstanding and most widely used hymn at time of Thanksgiving. From east to west as well as in Canada it is known as a song of praise mostly in the fall of the year. It fits equally well at the ending of early season harvests, where it has a place in church service or weddings as well as in our homes.

The hymn expresses deep gratitude towards God for the harvest of the season and also spells out a reward for the toil and efforts of a sower and a reaper. Each verse is detailed to the point so clear and simple that even a farmer's child can understand it. The second through the sixth verses point out the laws of nature connected with the land and its fruit. By this we can be sure it was written by a farmer. The last two verses come from a reverend mind. It was written before 1820 by Christian Herr.

Joseph Beiler

Für den Herold der Wahrheit.

Eine kurze Ermahnung.

Von der Liebe.

„Die Liebe ſei nicht falſch. Haſſet das Arge, hanget dem Guten an. Die brüderliche Liebe unter einander ſei herzlich. Einer komme dem Andern mit Ehrerbietung zuvor.“ Römer 9, 10. Seid einander nichts ſchuldig, denn daß ihr euch unter einander liebet; denn wer denn Andern liebet, der hat das Geſetz erfüllet. Wir wiſſen aber, daß denen, die Gott lieben, alle Dinge zum Beſten dienen, die nach dem Vorſatze berufen ſind. Gott iſt die Liebe, und wer in der Liebe bleibt, der bleibt in Gott und Gott in ihm. Darum iſt die Liebe völlig bei uns, auf daß wir eine Freudigkeit haben am Tage des Gerichts; denn gleich wie er iſt ſo ſind auch wir in dieſer Welt. Furcht iſt nicht in der Liebe, ſondern die völlige Liebe treibet die Furcht aus, denn die Furcht hat Pein. Wer ſich aber fürchtet, der iſt nicht völlig in der Liebe. Laſſet uns ihn lieben, denn er hat uns zuerſt geliebt. So Jemand ſpricht: Ich liebe Gott, und haſſet ſeinen Bruder, der iſt ein Lügner; denn wer ſeinen Bruder nicht liebet, den er ſiehet, wie kann er Gott lieben, den er nicht ſiehet? Und dieſes Gebot haben wir von ihm, daß wer Gott liebet, der auch ſeinen Bruder liebet.

Unſer lieber Heiland hat uns viel von der Liebe gezeugt. Gleichwie mich mein Vater liebet, alſo liebe ich euch auch. Bleibet in meiner Liebe. So ihr meine Gebote haltet, ſo bleibet ihr in meiner Liebe, gleich wie ich meines Vaters Gebote halte und bleibe in ſeiner Liebe. Liebet ihr mich, ſo haltet meine Gebote. Salomon ſagt: Denn Liebe iſt wie der Tod, und Eifer iſt feſt wie die Hölle. Ihre Gluth iſt feuerig und eine Flamme des Herrn, daß auch viele Waſſer nicht mögen die Liebe auslöſchen, noch die Ströme ſie erſäufen. Wenn einer alles Gut in ſeinem Hauſe um die Liebe geben wollte, ſo würde es alles nichts gelten. Die Liebe iſt langmüthig und freundlich, die Liebe eifert nicht, die Liebe treibet nicht Muthwillen, ſie blähet ſich nicht, ſie ſtellt ſich nicht ungebertig, ſie ſucht nicht das Ihre, ſie läßt ſich nicht erbittern, ſie trachtet nicht nach Schaden, ſie freuet ſich nicht der Ungerechtigkeit, ſie freut ſich aber der Wahrheit.

Sirach ſagt: Gott lieben, das iſt die ſchönſte Wahrheit. Und wandelt in der Liebe gleichwie uns Chriſtus geliebet hat, und ſich ſelbſt dargegeben für uns zur Gabe und Opfer, Gott zu einem ſüßen Geruch. Was hätte denn unſer liebe Heiland mehr thun können, als er für uns gethan hat? Er iſt von dem hohen Himmelsthron herunter gekommen, um uns arme Sünder zu erretten von dem Fluch des Todes und dem ewigen Verderben. Wo wir doch in all unſerem Leben müßten Knechte der Sünden ſein, haſt du, o Gott, uns frei gemacht und verſetzt in das Reich deines lieben Sohnes Jeſum Chriſtum. Darum, liebe Brüder und Schweſtern, thut den Armen Gutes; unſern lieben Heiland wird es euch vielmals und tauſend Mal vergelten; er wird euch mit zeitlichen, wie auch mit geiſtlichen Gütern ſegnen. Dieſes werden ſchon viele Brüder, die die Armen in ihrer Noth verſorgt und ihnen Gutes gethan, erfahren haben.

Ich weiß wohl, daß wer noch keine Armuth erfahren hat, der weiß nicht was Armuth heißt. Ich aber hab es ſchon ſelbſt erfahren; aber unſer lieber Heiland hat mich reichlich geſegnet, daß ich an allem Ueberfluß habe und den Armen auch mittheilen kann, was wir alle nicht vergeſſen ſollten, denn es iſt ein angenehmes Opfer für unſern lieben Heiland; denn er thut ja nichts lieber, als ſeinen Kindern Gutes thun. Er thut ſie ſegnen mit himmliſchen und irdiſchen Schätzen. Wenn nur alle Brüder ſchreiben thäten wie der Anfänger unſerer Kirche recht als vor Gott in Chriſto Jeſu, Amen.

Euer ſchwacher Bruder,

Chriſtian Schmitt

Niagara Conuty, Ne. Y.

The Hour Glass

Days well spent are drops all sparkling
 In the waters deep and broad,
Of Eternity's Great Ocean,
 Every drop is held by God.
Days well spent are Shining Jewels
 Scattered in the peaceful road
Which to happiness will lead us
 To our Father's blest abode.

From the Writing Book of Lydia L. (Fisher) Petersheim

To Recall a Few Memories of the Past

THE JOHANNES OR HANS AND ANNA LANTZ FAMILY

By Amos L. Fisher

Continued from last month

(215) Catharine Lantz (160), born Aug. 14, 1814, died in Union County, married to Isaac Walker, a son of Samuel and Maze Walker, who moved from Philadelphia to Lancaster, in the vicinity of Limeville, where Samuel Walker took sick with Typhoid Fever, and died while the children were rather young. The youngest child, Susan, was born about six weeks after her father had died. She became the wife of Henry Neuhouser. Several of the other Walker children were taken into the Blank and Umble families. However, Isaac Walker was the only one that was received into an Amish home. When Catharine Lantz's parents, the Samuel Lantz family, moved to Union County in 1837 the Walker family moved with them and took Harry Walker, brother to Isaac, with them, who did not stay very long but returned to Lancaster County. To Isaac and Catherine Walker were born several children, three who died while living in Union County.

(216) Francis, or Fannie, Lantz (160), born Aug. 5, 1816 in Lancaster County, died May 29, 1897 in Union County, married to Elias Riehl in 1840 in Union County by Bishop (Long) Christian Zook, born July 6, 1818 in Mifflin County, son of John and Lavina (Yoder) Riehl. Elias Riehl was ordained to the ministry in Union County at an early age, the exact date not known, and also later to the office of bishop. He was active in some of the early ministers conferences held in Wayne County, Ohio in 1862 and 1868. However there arose some differences in opinion in the Amish Church in Union and the settlement dissolved. Some moved to Hartford County, Kansas; Neber, Nebraska; Wayne County, Ohio; Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, and Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. It was at this time that Bishop Elias Riehl moved to the city of Lewisburg, where he joined a more liberal church. To them were born four children—namely, Annie, born in 1841; Samuel L., born in 1844; John F., born in 1848, and Joel L., born in 1851. There are very few, if any, descendants of Bishop Elias Riehl living today.

(217) Anna Lantz (160), the youngest child of Samuel and Magdalena (Fisher) Lantz, was born in 1820, died June 10, 1951, married to Joel Riehl by Bishop (Red) Yost Yoder on Jan. 14, 1845, born Dec. 11, 1820, died April 12, 1896, son of John and Lavina (Yoder) Riehl. So you see Anna Lantz was only married six years when she died, leaving one child, also one child, Samuel, preceded her in death at three years of age, and Samuel Riehl, born June 6, 1848, died of injuries while driving a four horse team hitched to a loaded wagon. While going down grade the team became unruly, throwing him to the ground, the wagon passing over his body. He died Dec. 24, 1862 at seventeen years of age. So you see there are no living descendants of Anna (Lantz) Riehl. But Joel Riehl married his second wife, Elizabeth Byler, on March 22, 1855, by Bishop Elias Riehl. She was born July 6, 1827, died in Champaign County, Ohio with one of her daughters, either with Lizzie, married to Jonas Hooley, or Katie, married to Ezra Kauffman. There is a large offspring of Joel Riehl by his second marriage.

The two youngest children of Hans, or John, Lantz of No. 1 of this article were Peter Lantz and Henry Lantz of whom we have no record. But we have a strong feeling that one of these Lantz's was married to Veronica Rickenbach the daughter of Adam Rickenbach who died in Chester County in 1804. In his will he lists the names of his children and names Veronica, or Fanny, (Lantz) Hertzler with the name John Hertzler in parentheses. It is not known if there are any descendants from these two Lantz's or not but in the news print of the Reading Alder, as it was called at that time, there is an obituary of a Henry Lantz who died the week before Dec. 28, 1832. Who this is we do not know.

This is all that we have on the Lantz family for this time except a note from C. J. Kurtz of Elverson that he has uncovered a deed in Berks County of Christian Lantz and his wife, Fornica, together with a Jacob Kurtz being joint owners of a tract of land in Berks County. In 1793 Jacob Kurtz sold his share to Christian Lantz who was very likely the son of Hans, or John, Lantz of Caernarvon Township. Fornica was very likely the wife of his second marriage.

End of Lantz Family

THE HERTZLER–HARTZLER FAMILY

We will give a brief outline of some of the Hertzler Families.

As you noticed in the June and July issues of The Diary there was an article of the Hertzler–Hartzler Family. It seems there would not be too much to write on the family because of the Hertzler Genealogy Book, but will try and give a few more details.

As you know, Bishop Jacob Hertzler, the emmigrant, married his second wife, Catherine Ruegy. How much of a family they had is not too sure but we are inclined to believe there may have been more daughters than are listed in the Hertzler Book. The oldest son was John Hertzler Sr., born in Switzerland, died in Berks County, and is buried in the Adam Kurtz Cemetery near Womelsdorf. His first wife was Veronica Yoder and is believed to be a daughter of the Widow Barbara Yoder. We were unaware of this till within the last year when a will of Barbara Shirk was uncovered in the Lancaster courthouse by Dr. Hugh F. Gingerich of Silver Springs, Maryland. Barbara Shirk had been married to John Shirk, which may have been his second marriage as she died without any heirs so she willed her estate to her brothers and sisters and mentions the names of her sisters' marriage partners: Catherine, wife of Isaac Kauffman; Anna, wife of Samuel King, and Veronica, wife of John Hertzler Sr. The children of John Hertzler Sr., as listed in the Hertzler Book, are believed to be from his first marriage except Catherine Hertzler. At this writing we do not have the exact dates of their births, but Catherine Hertzler, who married to Bishop (Long) Christian Zook, seems to be a good bit younger than the rest of the family. John Hertzler Sr. married his second wife, Veronica (Rickenbach) Lantz, a daughter of Adam Rickenbach of Chester County (see last part of the Lantz Family in this issue). Again I must say we do not have the exact date of birth of Veronica Rickenbach but it appears that she was only about fifteen years or so older than John Hertzler Sr.'s oldest children. The other children of John Hertzler Sr. were John Hertzler Jr., born in 1757, married to Anna Rickenbach. In the two Hertzler books her name is listed as Ulrica Rickenbach, daughter of John Rickenbach of Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County. In the release of his estate he lists his daughter Anna Rickenbach, wife of John Hertzler Jr. Again we will say that Veronica Rickenbach, second wife of John Hertzler Sr., was a first cousin to his son John Hertzler Jr.'s wife, Anna Rickenbach, as Adam Rickenbach of Berks County and later of Chester County and John Rickenbach of Caernarvon Township were brothers. From John Hertzler Jr. and through his son Christian Hertzler, born April 13, 1793, married to Elizabeth Kauffman, came Samuel Hertzler, born in Belleville Oct. 24, 1822, died July 22, 1878 in Lancaster County. He came to Lancaster County and married to Catharine Beiler, daughter of Bishop David and Elizabeth (Fisher) Beiler. In 1861 Samuel Hertzler purchased from Benjamin Kreider a 40-acre tract of land in Leacock Township along Route 340 about one mile east of Bird-in-Hand, which was formerly owned by Henry Hostetler. This farm is now occupied by Elam Zook whose wife is a great-great-grandchild of Samuel Hertzler, and by many the farm is still known as the Hertzler farm.

Samuel Hertzler was ordained a minister, and died at fifty-six years of age. They had three children: Elizabeth and Salome who died single, and David, married to Nancy Beiler. They had five children. To mention a few are Samuel Hertzler, who lived on the home farm till around 1920 when they moved to Dover, Delaware, and later to St. Mary's County, Maryland, where several of their children still reside. Jacob Hertzler lives in Canada, and Samuel Jr. in Paraguay, South America where their son, Henry Hertzler, is bishop. Several others of their grandchildren are in the ministry at the present time. We should not fail to mention that through this family came the only family by the name of Hertzler that are affiliated with the Amish Church. After Samuel Hertzler moved to Delaware the home farm was occupied by his brother Jacob Hertzler, who was married to Emma Stoltzfoos. Jacob died in October of 1925 from injuries received when he fell from an apple tree. Their only daughter, Katie, is married to Deacon Christian Lapp, who still have possession of the home farm through their daughter, Emma, married to Elam Zook.

The other children of John Hertzler Sr. were Barbara Hertzler married to Jacob Rickenbach, also a son of John Rickenbach; Jacob Hertzler married to Anna Yoder, daughter of Yost and Mary (Siever) Yoder; Elizabeth Hertzler, married to John Rickenbach, also a son of John Rickenbach of Caernarvon; David Hertzler married to Mary Yoder, daughter of Yost and Mary (Siever) Yoder; Veronica Hertzler married to Stephen Kurtz, son of Stephen Kurtz of Lebanon County; Christian Hertzler married to Sarah Weidman, and Catherine Hertzler the first wife of Bishop (Long) Christian Zook.

Another daughter of Bishop Jacob Hertzler is Fannie Hertzler married to John Kauffman. No further reference is given in the Hertzler Book but it appears that this family moved from Berks County to Somerset County and from there to Holmes County, Ohio where we believe reside a good many of their descendants through the female lineage.

Wie groß ist deine Güte, Herr, die du erweisest denen, die auf dich trauen! PSALM 31,20

PRAYER

Pray God have mercy on this stricken race. May all misunderstanding, hatred, and greed cease. May Truth and Charity prevail under God's guiding spirit. May all humanity once again sing the hymns of deliverence, of victory, and of peace. Give strength and courage in abundance to all that work for a world of peace and understanding, so that we may become more organized, not as nation against nation, but as man against sin and disobedience, that we may have better knowledge of Christianity and Salvation in Christ Jesus, its joys, its beauty, its hope, and, above all, that its abiding faith may live among us, that the blessings of peace be ours. The peace to build and grow, to live in harmony and sympathy with others, and to plan for the future with confidence. Let now Thy holy angels comfort us, lead us, and guide us through this life of tribulations and trials. Give us also obedient hearts to live and follow their teachings, so that when our life work is ended we may have a peaceful death, meet a happy resurrection, enter into a glorious eternity, and be heirs with Thy son Jesus Christ forever and ever. Amen.

Submitted by Menno A. Diener, Arthur, Illinois

ABOUT HEAVEN

It is a real place—not merely a "beautiful isle of somewhere." Jesus says, "I go to prepare a place for you." Prepare what? A place!

IT IS A LARGE PLACE—

Large enough for everybody going there. It is 1500 miles square. Allowing 15 feet to the story, the city would be 528,000 stories high, and each story would contain 2,250,000 square miles. And all the stories combined would total a gigantic 1,180,000, 000,000 square miles!

In 6,000 years since man's creation, there have been 180 generations. If every generation is figured at 33 years, and each generation as large as the present one (which they are not) 360, 000, 000, 000 would be the total population of history. If every one went to heaven (which they will not) allowing 5 to a family, there would be 72 billion families. At that rate, each family would have 16½ square miles of this celestial area.

But the Department of Eugenics of Carnegie Institute estimates the total population since man appeared on it, at 30 billion. That would make 198 square miles for each family in Heaven.

IT IS A PLACE OF PERFECT SERVICE.

Rev. 22:3 tells us that "His servants shall serve Him." With talents greater than we now can imagine, we shall shine, Yes, in heaven we shall shine as the stars, sing as the angels, preach and praise and worship Him whose smile will be an eternal shining benediction, a glory far, far beyond words.

IT IS HOME.

The eternal, abiding Home. What word can speak more to us than HOME? I don't worry about where heaven is, as a place. I am satisfied with Rev. 21:3—"God Himself shall be with them."

ARE YOU BOUND FOR THIS HEAVENLY HOME?

Is your name written in the Book of Life? Are your sins buried in the sea of God's forgetfulness, to be remembered against you no more forever, because your faith is in Christ Jesus as your Savior? If not, we urge you to come to Him now, trusting Him, believing Him, receiving Him. Then you, too, may look forward to spending eternity with Him in the place He has prepared for those who love and trust Him.

Can't help shouting 'HALLELUJAH' — HEAVEN WILL BE GRAND!

*Wilbur E. Nelson

THE LIGHTS OF HOME

The darker grows the scene on earth, the more we set our eyes toward our heavenly HOME. "Let not your hearts be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions. . I go to prepare a PLACE FOR YOU." John 14. "Which HOPE we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast; and which entereth into that within the veil." For, "We have a building of God, an HOUSE not made with hands, ETERNAL in the heavens." Heb. 6:19; 2 Cor. 5:1

He who passed thru the horror of the darkness of Calvary, with the cry of forsakenness, is ready to bear you completely thru the valley of the shadow of death, till you see the sun shining upon its further side.

*F. B. Meyer

from "For the Older Folks" by Cyrus Osterhus

JERUSALEM, THE GOLDEN!

They stand, those hills of Zion, all jubilant with song, and BRIGHT with many an angel, and all the martyr throng; The Prince is ever with them, the daylight is serene, the pastures of the blessed are decked in glorious sheen.

from "For the Older Folks" by Cyrus Osterhus

The Reno-Renno Family

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The Joseph Reno Family

Christian, born Jan. 1, 1767; Anna, born Oct. 3, 1768, married to Henry Hostetler, second to John King; Barbara, born March 27, 1770; Joseph, born Feb. 15, 1772; Elizabeth, born Aug. 3, 1773, married to Jacob Speicher; Magdalena, born Oct. 14, 1775; Catherine, born Oct. 23, 1776; Marie, born Oct. 23, 1777; John, born April 25, 1780; Susanna, born Jan. 9, 1782; Joshua, born April 17, 1784; David (blind), born Oct. 1786, married to Barbara . . . . ., second to Elizabeth Rickenbach; Jacob, born Feb. 21, 1789. He lived in Juniata County, Pennsylvania in 1850

Joseph Reno died in 1792 in Berks County, Pennsylvania, and perhaps in his home off the banks of Plum Creek, called Irish Creek today. Since it was an early American tradition among Swiss-German settlers to use the dual homestead method for burial rites, we suppose that Joseph Reno is buried in such a plot with one or more of his neighbors and kin in faith and flesh. Because we do not know the exact location of his burial we can only assume that he is buried with those as tradition will suggest, with fathers as Jacob Beiler, Ulrich Speicher, Jacob Berkey, Hans Sieber, or even his grandfather-in-law, Christian Burke.

Perhaps this dual homestead burial tradition should be made more clear to our readers. In pioneer days a place to bury a family member after death became a necessity frequently and early. Many of those that survived the ocean voyage suffered a siege of migration chock, besides illness and epidemics that followed. Some early American colonies in the Carolinas were wiped out all together and some merely escaped non-existance. While our father land colony endured a more gracious toll, nevertheless it suffered losses of family heads early and many children of whom we have no record at all. Among these the mother or housewife has by far the highest death rate. It is estimated that in the first thirty years of pioneer life around thirty-five per cent of our mothers met immature death in our father land. Many of our fathers reached a ripe patriarch, although death records will place some in early and middle age brackets, they are considerably less in comparison to the family head death rate today.

All in all this dual homestead tradition started from necessity and grew into a rule rather than a tradition. At time of death our pioneer would select a place on his plantation that was durable and convenient. His choice is often found on a rise or near the top of a slope. And it must be off of cleared land that was to be cultivated so that a boundary line, or fence row as it is called today, became a common place for burials. Since the boundary line is fixed nearly midway between two homes it became an ordeal that two homes could use the same plot conveniently. Some of these are found on the boundary line but most of them are placed just alongside a boundary, both of these served two homes are rarely more until roads were built. To convey a corpse a distance before more rural roads were built from 1800 to 1820 was an exception everywhere in early Amish colonies unless an organized church graveyard was established, and these were few before 1810.

Even before the Revolutionary War petitions were drawn to build roads in Berks County. However this process was practically stalled during the war, and even for decades after the war it was slow. Not until near the turn of the century was this process activated in our fatherland. In due time roads came to the advantage of the business man and farmer alike but it was a nearly fatal blow to our homestead cemeteries. It affected them in more than one way. First it provided more convenient transportation for a hearse to convey a body to a more communal or centralized location. Second in the process of building roads the state and farmers alike preferred to use boundary lines for roadbeds at many places to conserve the hard earned cultivated fields. In the course of time this had a bad effect on our homestead burial grounds and in some instances they have been virtually destroyed. The Miller family burial in Shillington, Pennsylvania is only one example. Joseph F. Beiler

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

The Sieber Family

On the banks of Plum Creek where two streams of clear water meet that seem to hurry away from their hillside heads to flow through the beautiful valley of our fatherland, is the place that an ardent Swiss pioneer has cast his stake. Hans Siever had a wide range of choice in selecting a homestead in a new territory just opened to the paleface one year before he applied for land. In this he succeeded to possess some of the finest land with abundant fresh water for his cattle at the head of a scenic valley that would resemble the rich and fertile valleys in his homeland.

The Seiber family name is barely known in Amish settlements today. From the beginning they were few and the second generation already lay on a threshold. Here the very familiar story repears, that those of the third generation who remained Amish moved to western settlements to join their kin of like faith. Of this generation were Jonas Seiber, married to Barbara Kauffman; Christian Sieber Jr., also married to a Kauffman; Catherine Sieber, married to Joel Rickenbach; and Mary Sieber, married to Jacob Rickenbach. These were perhaps the last Siebers to live and die in the Amish faith. Some of these are buried in the Renno graveyard in Juniata County, Pennsylvania. Those of the early generations who remained in Berks County joined more progressive denominations. Solomon Sieber was a Brethren bishop.

Due to the fact that the Siebers are few in number, perhaps among the least of any families of our fatherland, they will never merit recognition in most of our Amish settlements. Even in Lancaster County, just forty miles away from the Hans Sieber homestead, they are practically unknown. In Mifflin County, Pennsylvania it is different. Here the Sieber name was recognized to the point that it served as a given name twice. Siever Yoder was a son of (butcher) Christian Yoder, and there was a Sieber Yoder Jr. who lived until 1889 and should be known to present day seniors living there now. Perhaps both of these give rich potency to Old Order families in Mifflin County today and some of these in Nebraska districts. Apparently the senior Seiber Yoder was so named after his grandmother, Mary (Seiver) Yoder's maiden name, which is quite unusual in Amish history.

Maternal Lines

Even though the Siever name is unknown to many of our present generation, we may be surprised at the vast offspring of Hans Sieber in our field today. We will notice in the Christian Fisher family book that No. 1 Christian Fisher was married to a Yoder who was a daughter of Yost and Mary (Sieber) Yoder. Three daughters of this union were married to John King, Samuel Lantz, and Jacob Zook, respectively. This is to say that nearly all the Kings of Lancaster County and many of the Zooks derive from this Mary Sieber who was a daughter of our pioneer Hans Sieber. These Sieber bloodlines will enter into a large portion of Old Order families in Lancaster County today. Besides these there are many descendants of Yost Yoder in nearly every state in America where Amish settlements are found. Third generation maternal lines are also of interest, but their bearing is of a much lesser degree. Catherine Siever, daughter of Christian, was married to Abraham Keonig. Most of this family remained in Berks County and some of them reside in Reading, Pennsylvania who still retain the original German spelling. Sara Sieber of the same family was married to Jacob Kurtz. Not much is known of this family at this writing. More of these families will follow in geneology columns.

Name Spellings

Our pioneer has his share of variation on name spellings. On the original land grant draft recorded in community affairs office in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, he is listed as Hans Cibber. In another document it will be Siever which was common in family records as late as 1900. We also have spellings of Seever and Zieber. One branch of the family has retained this spelling to this day. Today there are three Seiber families in Reading, Pennsylvania directories and nine Ziebers of the same place. Lancaster County, Pennsylvania directories list only one Sieber family, and that one in Columbia. The name Siebert appears more frequently but in all probability it is another family name. Chester County has none.

All of these spellings are strictly German and a person would expect to find the name in German regions in seventeenth century literature. In spite of this the name is rarely found in Anabaptist history. However, we have one Hans Casper Siber listed in the Faust and Brumbach Swiss emigrants. He was born in 1717 and married to Elsbetha Klaue. A 1743 Swiss document states that he has gone from Tosz, Switzerland to Pennsylvania. Datewise this could be our pioneer. Ample evidence is lacking to prove this and there is one statement to disprove it. Either way it is yet uncertain. The Siber spelling is typical of many other Swiss names that retain the old Swiss-German spelling. Many of these were changed to a Lutheran German spelling when they emigrated to Germany and the same is true when they came to America.

Hans Sieber in our Fatherland

Hans Sieber came to Port Philadelphia on Sept. 16, 1736 from Ship Princess Augusta. Melchoir Detweiler and Jacob Miller were among his shipmates. The former is placed well in our fatherland, of the latter we are not so sure yet. From the Strassburger-Hinke shiplist we can include a not of interest. Our pioneer's signature is spelled Siber, which is a strong indication that he came directly from Switzerland. Apparently he tarried in Philadelphia or Montgomery County regions with Mennonite Brethren until he was granted a warrant. On December 30, 1737 a tract of 184 acres of virgin soil in the Upper Schuylkill watersheds was granted, adjoining Jacob Beiler to whom the tract was warranted jointly. We find that in many cases when our forefathers applied for land they asked for a tract near a relative. A question remains whether Hans Sieber and Jacob Beiler were related. There are some chances that they were but these are not strong enough to employ emphasis, yet they cannot be disregarded. One point which is favorable that they were brothers through marriage is that at least one of the Sieber children were intermarried to the same family as were members of the Beiler family, which often indicates that they were too close related to marry together but they associated with the same families.

According to our land grant records, the initial Hans Sieber (1737) tract of 184 acres was surveyed and returned in 1749, located in then Lancaster County now Berks County. In 1749 he received a warrant for an additional tract adjoining him to the south and in 1754 he received two additional tracts, one to the east and one to the north. In 1766 he received a patent on the whole tract of 252 acres.

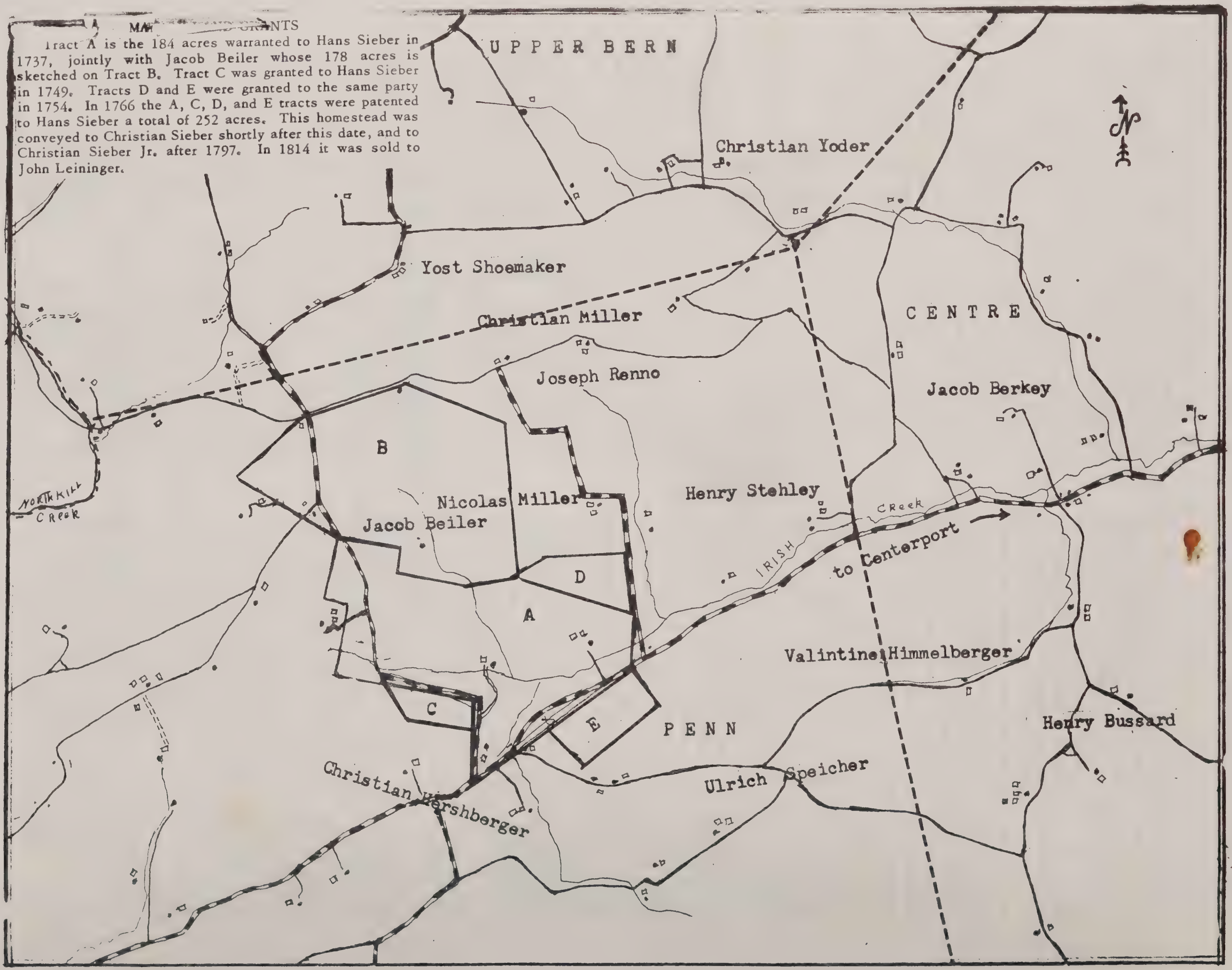
The Hans Sieber Family

We have no complete record of this family, nor the name of his wife, unless he is the Hans Siber listed in the Faust and Brumbach work, which is possible. We do know, however, that his son Christian, perhaps his only son, received the home farm. He died in 1797 leaving a widow, Catherine, and four children—namely, 1. Catherine Sieber, married to Abraham Koenig; 2. Sara Sieber, married to Jacob Kurtz; 3. Christian Sieber, married to Barbara Kauffman; 4. Barbara Sieber, married to Valentine Himmelberger.

This Christian Sieber Jr. also received the home farm, and raised a family of thirteen children. In 1814 the Sieber homestead was sold to John Leininger when he with some of his family moved to Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. Numbers 1 and 4 of the original family lived and died in Berks County.

Christian Sieber was a noted man in his community. He stood witness to the Jacob Beiler will and appeared in a number of other legal transactions. He stood with his brethren during the Revolutionary War. In the 1783-84 period he was absent in militia activities and paid a fine of 3 lbs. and 15 shillings. In 1785 he paid 2 lbs. and in 1786-87 he paid 3 lbs. Jacob Kurtz in the same battalions paid fines respectively.

Joseph F. Beiler



MA[illegible] GRANTS

Tract A is the 184 acres warranted to Hans Sieber in 1737, jointly with Jacob Beiler whose 178 acres is sketched on Tract B. Tract C was granted to Hans Sieber in 1749. Tracts D and E were granted to the same party in 1754. In 1766 the A, C, D, and E tracts were patented to Hans Sieber a total of 252 acres. This homestead was conveyed to Christian Sieber shortly after this date, and to Christian Sieber Jr. after 1797. In 1814 it was sold to John Leininger.

UPPER BERN
N
Christian Yoder
Yost Shoemaker
Christian Miller
CENTRE
Joseph Renno
Jacob Berkey
B
Nicolas Miller
Jacob Beiler
Henry Stehley
NORTHKILL CREEK
IRISH CREEK
D
A
to Centerport
Valintine Himmelberger
C
E
PENN
Henry Bussard
Christian Hershberger
Ulrich Speicher

OUR FATHERLAND IN AMERICA

The Reno–Renno Family

Continued from last month

Our pioneer family of Joseph Reno had six boys. Only David remained intact to the faith of our fathers. There is a story of tradition that three of these boys together planned a hike to the west. In order to avoid distortion of the story we will give only a brief account. The story goes on to say that when they reached a point in Juniata County, Pennsylvania their hike ceased on account of sickness or death in the family. Here David stayed for a time and was married to Barbara, last name unknown. After a short while his wife died and he retreated to Berks County for a second companion, Elizabeth Rickenbach, In later years he moved to Lancaster County near Soudersburg, where he died. He is buried in the Beiler's Cemetery near Ronks, Pennsylvania. His son David apparently remained in Juniata County, Pennsylvania, where he was ordained to the ministry. He felt incapable and never preached the Gospel fluently. This David is the ancestor of present-day Renno's of the valleys

A little more of the story of tradition will tell us that the remaining gang of the Reno boys proceeded to adventure west. Nothing definite is known of further activities. Some suppose that Reno County, Kansas and even Reno, Nevado may have sprung from this family name, which is perhaps a matter of speculation. However, the sons of Joseph Reno seem to have disappeared from Berks County by the time of their father's death in 1792. In his will he does not bequeath the home farm or any other tracts to his sons in the usual manner of our fatherland family head wills. He does, however, list them all as heirs. John is named executor in the Jacob Speicher Berks County will.

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Origin of the Family Name

This family name is an extreme exception. We do not have even a trace of the name in Europe. The spelling of the name indicates that he was a French man. We can only suggest that the name originated in Switzerland as Renner, Renier, or Reinger or other typical Swiss–German spellings. We have no record of when he came to America as he is not listed in Philadelphia immigrations. It is quite likely that he came in his youth and was a servant of one of our fathers in Berks County, where he married to Elizabeth Miller in the 1760's. Geographically it would seem like Henry Stehly was a father to him and Christian Miller a father-in-law. Let us suggest that Joseph Reno was a servant of Henry Stehley. Even though he had children of his own they were soon located in other townships while Joseph Reno maintained main portions of the Stehley tract. By his own will he makes it clear that his children were heirs of Christian Miller.

Perhaps we should now add a brief sketch of our three generation lineage. Christian Burke, we assume his wife was Catrina, died intestate in 1763. They had two daughters, Ann and Barbara.

Ann was married to Christian Miller. Barbara was a spinster in 1764, but may have married later. Christian and Ann Miller had two children–namely, John, and Elizabeth who was married to Joseph Reno.

From a deed record (Reading Court House, Book A4, Page 121) it is clear that the Christian Burke tract was transferred to Jacob Gut. We gather much information that ties our three generation sketch. Other information follows. At a certain time before 1764 Christian Burke sold his tract of one hundred twenty nine acres adjoining Hans Zimmerman to Jacob Gut, a weaver. Before Jacob Gut made a settlement Christian Burke died, leaving issue the said Ann Miller and Barbara Burke (no other), without making any writing of said conveyance. Since then Jacob Guth also died instestate, leaving four children in minority. The orphans court ordered the estate to be appraised, the money shall belong to the children, and be secured for them by Henry Guth, the oldest son. Even with all this information it leaves questions unanswered. Where does this Jacob Gut family fit into our fatherland families? We are sure they belong because all of these children asked for Amish guardians. Here there is a strong tie with the widow Barbara Yoder family. Where does the Hans Zimmerman family fit in? Was he a brother to Catrina Burke?

Joseph Reno was listed as a tory in Bern Township, Berks County tax return. By this we know that he was delinquent in military service.

Sources of information: The Henry Gut deed was directed to us by Paul U. Hostetler, Hamden, Conn.; the tax records from Pennsylvania Archives, third series, Vol. XXII, and from Berks County Historical Society records; the Joseph Reno family placements by Huge Gingerich, Silver Springs, Maryland.

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2ND IND. TOT DIED FROM BURNS

Nelson, 19 months, son of Howard and Lillian (Nisley) Miller of Goshen R4, Ind., died Sunday, December 7, at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he was admitted November 14 after suffering severe burns in a fire at his home (see obituary). A twin brother, Norman, died in the blaze (see front page, November issue).

ASHLAND CO., OHIO MAN SHOT ACCIDENTALLY

Aden, age 21, son of Jonas Keims was injured while deer hunting with his married brother, Joe of Holmes County, on Friday evening, December 5th at almost dark. They were in the woods and came to a lane where an English man, also a hunter, came from the other direction. Thinking he saw a deer, he shot at Aden and hit him in his left arm, which left it dangling at his side. He was rushed to Mansfield General Hospital where they operated, taking blood vessels from his leg and putting them in his arm. He spent six hours on the operating table with three doctors working on him. He was in Intensive Care a little over one week. Doctors said it will go two months before they can really tell if they can save the arm. He had quite a lot of pain and they had given him quite a bit of blood. He came home from the hospital December 20th and seems to be coming along fairly well.

NORFOLK, NEW YORK HOUSE FIRE

The house of Mose I. Schwartz's burned out on the evening of December 30th. The cause of the fire seemed to be the chimney. Moses' were on a trip at the time, and the fire was first noticed by a passing motorist. With the help of kind neighbors and friends most of the contents were saved, including canned goods which were taken to Josiah Eichers. A lot of the furniture, etc., was badly charred.

HOLMES CO., OHIO MAN KILLED IN TRACTOR ACCIDENT

David Kline, 21, of Fredericksburg R2, was killed Saturday evening, December 14th. He met with a tractor accident on the way home from the Malva Shetler farm where he was working for Mark Troyer. The road was slippery and he lost control while coming down a hill in front of the Wayne A. Yoder home. The tractor upset pinning him underneath. He received internal injuries including a bursted bladder, and died December 16th in the Akron Hospital. He was conscious most of the time until his death. (See obituary)

PA. MAN KILLED BY AUTO

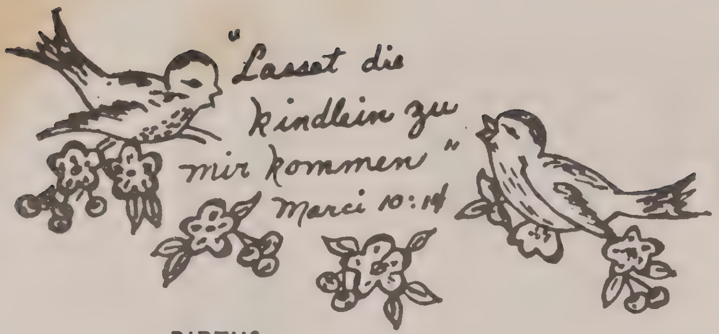
Jonathan B. Stoltzfus, 52, of Honey Brook R3, Pa., was killed instantly Thursday, December 11, about 5:45 p.m., when he was struck by a car on Route 322 in front of his home. He reportedly walked across the road after being dropped off at home after work when the accident happened. (See obituary)

PA. MAN HAD LARGE TUMOR REMOVED

Jesse E. Swarey, 47, of Belleville, Pa., died Tuesday, December 23rd. In December, 1974, he was in the hospital three weeks and had a large cancerous tumor removed. He seemed to be real well all summer until the latter part of October, then he noticed that something wasn't quite normal again. His last day at work was on his birthday, December 4th. He seemed to fill up with fluid and was unable to eat much the last couple weeks. (See obituary)

MO. BOY HAD BRAIN TUMOR REMOVED

Levi, 10, son of Ray L. and Edith (Borntrager) Yoder of Anabel, Mo., was admitted to University Medical Center at Columbia, Mo. on December 5th. He had a brain tumor removed December 23rd and was coming along as good as could be expected.


"Lasset die kindlein zu mir kommen"
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BIRTHS

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

BEILER, Amos (Miriam S. King) Quarryville R3 a daughter RACHEL, December 6

BEILER, Elam E. (Rebecca B. King) Christiana R1 a son ABNER K., December 14

BEILER, Henry M. (Emma Mae Speicher) Bird-in-Hand R1, a son JACOB S., December 21

BEILER, Ira S. (Malinda Fisher) Paradise R1 a daughter MARTHA, December 16

BLANK, David (Mary Smucker) B. 208, Gap R1 a daughter FREIDA, December 22

EBERSOL, Jacob B. (Rebecca S. Esch) Peach Bottom R2, a son JACOB B. JR., December 19

ESH, Elam B. (Verna Mae Beiler) Ronks R1 a daughter SADIE, December 6

ESH, Joseph B. (Barbara F. Stoltzfus) Christiana R1 a son JACOB S., December 12

ESH, Levi A. (Naomi Lapp) Ronks R1 a daughter RUTH, December 17

FISHER, Benjamin L. (Anna Stoltzfus) Gordonville R1 a daughter RUTH, December 5

FISHER, Benuel L. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Ronks R1 a son JONAS S., December 4

FISHER, Elam F. (Emma S. Lapp) Ronks R1 a son PAUL L., December 7

FISHER, Henry K. (Elizabeth S. Fisher) Bird-in-Hand R1, a daughter RACHEL, December 11

FISHER, Isaac (Leah Kauffman) 2280 Leaman Rd., Lancaster, a son MELVIN K., December 23

FISHER, Levi S. (Lizzie E. Smucker) Strasburg R1 a daughter ANNIE S., December 22

GLICK, Benjamin S. (Lizzie E. King) Bird-in-Hand R1, a daughter MARY, December 21

GLICK, Christian B. (Sarah Kauffman) Smoketown R1 a son CHRISTIAN JR., December 16

GLICK, Daniel Z. (Sarah F. Stoltzfus) 1935 Rothsville Rd., Lititz, a daughter SARAH S., December 5

GLICK, Ephraim (Annie Stoltzfus) 171 Quarry Rd., Leola, a son SAMUEL AMOS, December 5

GLICK, Levi (Sarah Lapp) Quarryville R3 a daughter MARY, December 1

KAUFFMAN, John (Susie Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R1 a son IVAN, December 18

KING, Daniel F. (Rebecca S. Blank) Narvon R2 a son JACOB B., December 24

KING, David Jr. (Ruth Fisher) New Holland Rd., Gordonville R1, a son ABNER JAY, December 23

KING, David S. (Sarah Diener) B. 307A, Christiana R1 a son BENUEL D., December 24

KING, Omar (Anna Zook) 1230 Gypsy Hill Rd., a son EMANUEL, December 30

LAPP, Aaron S. (Sarah D. Lapp) 172 Yost Rd., Gordonville R1, a daughter SADIE, December 29

LAPP, Jacob H. (Fannie F. Riehl) Gap R1 a daughter RACHEL, December 9

LAPP, Noah B. (Katie Stoltzfus) Willow Street R1 a daughter RUTH, December 26

RIEHL, Christian E. (Priscilla F. Petersheim) 355 Newport Rd., Leola, a son ELMER P., December 6

SMUCKER, Henry (Emma Riehl) B. 375D, Quarryville R3, a son JONATHAN R., December 10

STOLTZFUS, Amos S. (Lydia Esh) 2251 Horseshoe Rd. Lancaster, a son MARK ALLEN, December 29

STOLTZFUS, Andrew K. (Ruth Dienner) Gordonville R1, a son ALVIN MARK, December 27

STOLTZFUS, Christ K. (Katie S. Stoltzfus) Leola R1 a son JONAS S., December 9

STOLTZFUS, Daniel F. (Sarah S. Miller) Kirkwood R1 a son JACOB, December 21

STOLTZFUS, Elam (Sarah S. Beiler) Conestoga R1 a daughter MIRIAM, December 10

STOLTZFUS, Elam E. (Priscilla Riehl) Gap R1 a son ELAM E., December 17

STOLTZFUS, Eli K. (Malinda K. Fisher) Gordonville R1, a son JOHN F., December 10

STOLTZFUS, Jacob (Annie Fisher) Kirkwood R1 a son BENUEL, December 25

STOLTZFUS, Jacob Z. (Rebecca Fisher) 2704 Bachmantown Rd., Ronks R1, a son ALLEN, December 4

STOLTZFUS, John F. (Lizzie Fisher) Nottingham R2 a son ISAAC, December 17

STOLTZFUS, Jonas K. (Fannie K. Fisher) Christiana R1, a son AMOS, December 5

STOLTZFUS, Stephen B. (Mary Stoltzfus) Honey Brook R2, a son DAVID L., December 17

St. Mary's County, Maryland

HERTZLER, Enos (Fannie Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville a son STEPHEN, December 3

STOLTZFUS, Stephen (Sadie Kurtz) Mechanicsville a son RUDY, December 10

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Dover, Delaware

BYLER, David A. (Millie Gingerich) Dover R2
a son TIMOTHY, December 22

DETWEILER, David H. (Barbara Miller) Dover R2
a son OWEN, December 2

MILLER, Abner J. (Lena Yoder) Hartley R1
a son ALLEN, December 25

MILLER, Sam D. (Anna Byler) Wyoming R1
a daughter MAGDALENA, December 28

Clinton County, Pennsylvania

STOLTZFUS, Amos (Katie Miller) Loganton R2
a daughter ANNIE, December 12

Centre County, Pennsylvania

ESH, Henry (Fannie Beiler) Rebersburg
a son DANIEL, December 29

Snyder County, Pennsylvania

TROYER, Sam (Ida Christner)
a daughter CAROLINE, December 29

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

DETWEILER, Joseph (Susie Yoder) Allensville
a daughter SUSAN, December 27

PEIGHT, Jacob (Nannie Kanagy) Belleville
a daughter ROSANNA, December 19

SWAREY, Jacob (Susan Peachey) Belleville
a son LOUIE, December 12

Franklin County, Pennsylvania

ESH, Christian (Sadie Smucker) Newburg
a daughter ANNA, December 2

FISHER, John (Sadie King) Newville
a daughter EDNA,

Oakland, Maryland

HOSTETLER, Dan E. (Fannie Miller) Oakland
a son MERLIN EUGENE, December 27

SWARTZENTRUBER, Joseph C. (Lydia Miller)
Oakland, a son DAVID RAY, December

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

YODER, Norman (Nancy Yoder) Grantsville, Md.
a daughter EFFIE, December 27

Geauga County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Roy (Mary Ann Miller)
a daughter ALMA, November 27

KEMPF, Henry and wife
a daughter MATTIE, December 4

MILLER, Joe J. S. (Sara Hershberger)
a daughter RUTH, December 9

YODER, Levi S. (Esther Detweiler)
a son Gideon, December 4

Ashland County, Ohio

HERSHBERGER, Jonas (Anna Yoder)
a daughter LeANNA, December 30

MILLER, Eli (Naomi Brenneman)
a daughter MARY, December 8

MILLER, Levi (Lydia Gingerich)
a daughter SARAH, December 28

WEAVER, William (Mary Coblentz)
a daughter ADA, December 15

Holmes County, Ohio

BEACHY, Pre. David (Edna Yoder) Dundee R1
a daughter MARY, December 16

HERSHBERGER, Pre. Henry E. (Beulah Troyer)
a son ELI, December 20

MAST, Ivan E. (Mary Hershberger) Baltic R1
a daughter MABEL, December 11

MAST, Jonas J. (Lizzie Yoder) Baltic R1
a daughter MARY, December 11

MILLER, Albert A. (Mary Miller) Millersburg R5
a son DENIS, December 18

MILLER, Henry J. (Amanda Hershberger) Dundee R1
a daughter MIRIAM, December 18

MILLER, Mose D. (Katie Raber) Baltic R1
a son OWEN, December 11

MILLER, Raymond (Anna Madt) Dundee R1 Mast)
a daughter LAURA, December 15

MILLER, Roman D. (Susie Yoder) Baltic R1
a daughter KATIE, December 9

STUTZMAN, Jonas P. (Ada E. Mast) Fredericksburg
R1, a daughter BARBARA, December 6

TROYER, Atlee E. (Katie P. Stutzman) Millersburg
R5, a son WAYNE, November 30

WENGERD, Levi (Mary Ann Hershberger) Fredericksburg R2, a daughter WILMA, December 14

YODER, Bishop and Mrs. David E., Millersburg R4
a daughter BETTY, December 12

YODER, Levi E. A. (Esther Burkholder) Millersburg
R2, a daughter KATIE, December 22

YODER, Noah J. (Anna Yoder) Baltic R1
a daughter EDNA MAE, December 12

Wayne County, Ohio

MILLER, Aaron A. (Clara Hershberger) Fredericksburg, a son LEROY, December 8

MILLER, Mr. and Mrs. Andy S., Dundee R1
a son JACOB, December 28

MILLER, John (Fannie Schlabach) Wilmot Star Route
twins REUBEN and REBECCA, December 16

MILLER, Reuben (Mattie Wengerd) Orrville R2
twin sons, JOHN and JONAS, November 29

SCHLABACH, Floyd (Emma Yoder) Lakeville R1
a son DANIEL, December 5

TROYER, Abe M. (Emma Yoder) Fredericksburg R2
a daughter EFFIE, in December

WEAVER, Ervin J. (Fannie Mae Troyer) Fredericksburg R2, a son ALLEN, December 11

Utica, Ohio

GINGERICH, Alfred (Martha Yoder)
a daughter CAROL, December 28

Branch County, Michigan

EICHER, Henry (Josephine J. Schwartz) Reading,
Mich., a son ERNEST, December 27

KEIM, Leander J. (Anna Irene Miller) Orland R1, Ind.
a son JOHN, November 27

SCHMUCKER, Edward J. (Edith Schrock) Bronson R2
a daughter LAURA, December 25

SCHWARTZ, Levi S. (Sarah Miller) Fremont, Ind.
a daughter KATIE, December 11

WEAVER, Marvin (Mary E. Schwartz) Quincy, Mich.
a stillborn son ELI, December 28

Steuben County, Indiana
WAGLER, Jonas (Margaret S. Schwartz)
a son ELI, December 23

Allen County, Indiana
GRABER, Joseph Jr. (Catherine Graber)
a son JAMES G., December 6
GRABER, Thomas (Mary Wagler)
a daughter DEBORAH, December 29
MILLER, John Jr. (Rosa Schmucker)
a daughter MARY, December 8
SCHMUCKER, David (Emma Schmucker)
a daughter RUTH, December 26
SCHWARTZ, Rudy (Lydiann Schwartz)
a son JAMES JOSEPH, December 30
WENGERD, Jonas (Ruth Wickey)
a son JAMES, December 5

Adams County, Indiana
CHRISTNER, Enos C. (Becky T. Schwartz) Berne R2
a daughter REBECCA, December 29
CHRISTNER, Levi (Rosa Miller) Geneva R1
a son, December 23
EICHER, Ben (Margaret Wengerd) Berne R1
a son, November 7
EICHER, Paul V. (Margaret G. Schwartz) Geneva R2
a son, November 18
GIROD, David M. (Rebecca Wickey) Geneva R1
a son SAMUEL, December 21
GIROD, Reuben J. (Emma U. Schwartz) Berne R2
a son JACOB, November 2
GIROD, Samuel J. (Rosie F. Schwartz) Berne R1
a daughter EMMA, December 12
GRABER, Amos R. (Leah L. Eicher) Geneva R2
a son REUBEN, November 8
SCHWARTZ, David I. (Katherine S. Schwartz) Geneva
R2, a son, December 26
SCHWARTZ, Emanuel K. (Martha M. Hilty) Berne R1
a daughter SUSAN, December 5
SCHWARTZ, Levi A. (Margaret E. Schwartz) Monroe
R1, a son PETER, December 6
WICKEY, Jake R. (Anna Mae Steury) Berne R1
a daughter ESTHER, November 23
WICKEY, Sam Z. (Margaret U. Schwartz) Berne R2
a son SAMUEL J., November 4

LaGrange County, Indiana
HERSCHBERGER, Daniel B. (LeAnna Schlabach)
Topeka R1, a daughter SUSAN D., December 5
KUHNS, Melvin L. (Clara J. Raber) Ligonier R3
a daughter RUBY M., December 9
WENGARD, Allen (Joan Arlene Hostetler) Topeka R2
a son DAVID A., December 11
WINGARD, Clarence J. (Edna M. Otto) Shipshewana R2
a son CLARENCE JR., December 9
YODER, Elva Jay (Ruby H. Graber) Topeka R1
a daughter ERMA E., December 3
YODER, Jerry J. (Rosemary Hochstedler) Topeka R2
a daughter WANETA SUE, December 5

Orange County, Indiana
GINGERICH, Willie S. (Minerva Stutzman) Orleans
a son RUDY, in December

Elkhart County, Indiana
COBLENTZ, Joe (Rachel Hochstetler) Middlebury
a son MATTHEW, December 7
LEHMAN, Ernest (Ellen Miller) Middlebury
a son KENNETH LEE, November 30
MAST, Perry S. (Erma Nisley) Middlebury
a daughter LILLIAN, December 4
MILLER, Edward (Velda Bontrager) Goshen
a son LONNIE DEAN, December 12
SCHROCK, David (Elnora Yoder) Shipshewana R2
a son HARLEY, December 13
STOLTZFUS, Sam K. (Lizzie Ann Schrock) Middlebury
a son AMOS LEE, December 13

Kokomo, Indiana
MAST, Elmer (Mary Jane Herschberger)
a son MARK DEWAYNE, December 10
OTTO, Marvin (Mary Anderson)
a son MARLIN JAY, December 27

Arthur, Illinois
GINGERICH, Marlin (Tillie E. Miller)
a son ROBERT WILLIAM, December 10
HOSTETLER, Lavern (Lorene Chess)
a daughter LEONA KAY, December 24
SCHLABAUGH, Daniel F. (Verna D. Miller)
a son TERRY RAY, December 4
SCHLABAUGH, Harley (Maryetta Bontrager)
a daughter LEANNA, December 24

Guthrie, Kentucky
SCHLABACH, Paul (Linda Miller) Guthrie
R2, a son NATHAN, December 21

Ethridge, Tennessee
YODER, Andrew S. (Sarah Mast)
a daughter FANNIE, December 7

Audrain County, Missouri
BONTRAGER, Eli J. (Amanda Shetler) Clark
a daughter BARBARA, November 5
LAMBRIGHT, Harvey (Rhoda Yoder) Clark
a son MAHLON, December 29
MILLER, Eli (Susie Gingerich) Clark
a son SAMUEL, November 27
MILLER, Jona F. (Rachel Beachy) Clark
a daughter LYDIA, December 3
SHETLER, Levi V. (Anna Bontrager) Clark
a son JONAS, November 9
SHETLER, Mosie V. (Clara Miller) Clark
a daughter EDNA, December 13

Anabel, Missouri
YODER, Ray L. and Edith (Borntrager) Macon
a daughter KATIE, November 28

Pike County, Iowa
EICHER, Paul (Lydia Schrock) Curryville
a son MOSIE, December 9

Jamesport, Missouri
KAUFFMAN, Neal L. (Wilma Bontrager)
a daughter ELLA, December 6
SCHROCK, Elvon (Rosie Graber)
a daughter BETTY, December 22

Seymour, Missouri
SCHWARTZ, Emanuel Y. (Suzy N. Schwartz)
a son EMANUEL U., December 11

Johnson County, Iowa
BONTRAGER, Melvin (Marie Shetler)
twin sons, DANIEL and DAVID, November 29
YODER, Albert (Mary Ellen Bender)
a daughter POLLYANNA, December 8
YODER, Bennie Jr. (Nancy Ropp)
a daughter HANNAH, December 20

Buchanan County, Iowa
GINGERICH, Levi (Anna Schmucker) Independence
a son RUDY, December 11
SCHMUCKER, Melvin (Gertie Yoder) Independence
a son JOHN, December 11
YODER, Sam (Irene Plank) Hazleton
a son AMOS, December 24

Cashton, Wisconsin
MILLER, Harvey and Elvesta
a son CLARENCE, December 9

Wilton, Wisconsin
HOCHSTETLER, Jacob D. (Clara Borntreger)
a son, January 1

Wadena, Minnesota
SCHROCK, William W. Jr. (Edna Lambright)
a daughter ERMA, December 21

Lucknow, Ontario
GINGERICH, Edward (Rachel Hertzler) Lucknow R2
a daughter MALINDA, December 18
SHETLER, John D. (Anna Gingerich) Wingham R3
twins, a son NORMAN, a dau. NAOMI, October 15
STUTZMAN, Andy (Susan Stutzman) Lucknow R2
a daughter AMANDA, December 25

Milverton, Ontario
KUEPFER, Aaron (Phoebe Kuepfer)
a son DAVID, November 30
KUEPFER, Elmer (Linda Jantzi)
a daughter LEANNE, October 19
KUEPFER, Philip (Tena Wagler)
a son CHRISTIE, in October
SCHMIDT, Amon (Clara Kuepfer)
a STILLBORN DAUGHTER, October 8
STREICHER, Ezra (Barbara Zehr)
a daughter CLARA, December 13

ORDINATIONS

Johnson County, Iowa

Paul T. Miller, 31, was ordained minister in Jonas Beachy's West District, November 30th. He is a son of Toby and Ruth (Yoder) Miller, and was just married last May to Mary, daughter of Eli M. Bontragers.

Emanuel Bontrager, 56, was ordained minister in Jonas Beachy's East District, December 7th. He is a son of the late Menno L. and Mattie Bontrager of Anabel, Missouri, and is married to Barbara, daughter of Bishop Enos C. Swartzentruber.

BAPTISMS

Audrain County, Missouri
December 21st.
David Jr., son of Pre. David and Anna Gingerich
Ezra Jr., son of Ezra J. and Edna Miller
Jonas, son of Eli P. and Lena Gingerich
Moses, son of Bishop Jake and Katie Petersheim

Johnson County, Iowa
December 21, in Elmer T. Miller District
by Bishop Henry B. Miller
Linus, son of Jonas Millers
Nelson, son of Eddie J. Millers

Milverton, Ontario, Canada
August 31, in South District
by Bishop Joseph K. Jantzi
Peter, son of Mrs. Lena Kuepfer
Harvey, son of Noah Jantzi
Mervin, son of Reuben Kuepfer
Levi, son of Ezra Albrecht
Jonathan, son of Dea. Israel Kuepfer
Ruth Ann, dau. of Pre. Joseph N. Jantzi
Linda, dau. of David N. Jantzi
Eva, dau. of Dan Z. Kuepfer
Ruth, dau. of Noah Kipfer
Miriam, dau. of Reuben Kuepfer
August 31, by Bishop Clarence Kuepfer
Middle and Upper West District
Amos, son of Enos Wagler
James, son of John Ebersol
Joseph, son of John Ebersol
Alvin, son of Joseph K. Albrecht
Allan, son of Pre. Harvey Jantzi
Christena, daughter of Pre. Rufus Kuepfer
Miriam, daughter of Enos Wagler
Miriam, daughter of Simon Z. Kuepfer
Margaret, daughter of Sam Kuepfer
September 7, in North District
by Bishop Amos Albrecht
Harvey, son of Joel Kuepfer
Paul, son of Aaron S. Kuepfer
Raymond, son of Menno Wagler
Allan, son of Pre. Menno Albrecht
Peter, son of John K. Jantzi
Reuben, son of John Zehr
Bernice, dau. of Dea. David Kuepfer

CASHTON, WISCONSIN ACCIDENT

Amos Gingerichs were on the way home from Mahlon Gingerichs Christmas Day in the afternoon when they had an accident while going around one of those high speed corners. A car was coming from in front so they took the right shoulder which was quite steep. The right hand horse slipped and fell down, scaring the left one, which made her jump and knock the neck yoke off. The horses started to run and tipped the buggy over on the side. They didn't think anyone was hurt much but later felt some bruises. The Mrs. had a stiff neck and one of the girls a gash on one arm. Two of the buggy top posts were broken off.

OBITUARIES

ALBRECHT, Henry Z., 75, Milverton, Ontario

died on Friday, November 7, after a long illness. He was a son of the late Joseph S. and Lena (Zehr) Albrecht. He was born in 1900 and in 1928 he was married to Ethel Wallace, who died in 1949. He is survived by two sons, Samuel of Millbank, and Elmer at home; one daughter, Mrs. Joe (Nancy) Kipfer on the home farm; five grandsons and two granddaughters.

Funeral services were held on November 19th. Burial was in 7th line Amish Cemetery.

BENDER, Mrs. Addie, 80, Oakland, Maryland

died Monday evening, December 22, at the Garrett County Memorial Hospital after being admitted the week before. She had a heart attack followed by a stroke. She had been under the doctor's care for a heart condition. He was out to see her before she was admitted to the hospital. Surviving are seven children—namely, Orpha and Rhoda of the home, Joseph of Catlett, Va., Mrs. Rudy (Alma) Yoder and Myron of Crofton, Ky., Albert on the home farm, and Clyde of Stuarts Draft, Va.; 35 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; one brother, Claude Yoder of Meyersdale, and one sister, Mrs. Milt (Oma) Yoder of Grantsville.

Funeral services were held Wednesday p.m.; short services at the house by Edwin Beachy, and at the church house by Bishop Norman Schrock and Eli Beachy. Burial was in the Slabach Cemetery.

BONTRAGER, Ruthann A., 3, Constantine R1, Mich.

died Thursday morning, December 25, at her home. She had been ill since July 29th. Born September 10, 1972 in St. Joseph County, she was a daughter of Amos C. and Katie D. (Bontrager) Bontrager. Surviving besides her parents are a twin sister, Joanna, a brother, Daniel, paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bontrager, Centreville, maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan D. Bontrager, Centreville, great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam N. Bontrager of Centreville, and great-grandmother, Mrs. Clemence Miller of Nottawa, six aunts and two uncles.

Funeral services were held at the Alvin L. Troyer residence Saturday at 1 p.m., by Bishop Irvin Yoder and Pre. Samuel W. Bontrager. Interment was in the Nottawa Amish Cemetery.

HERSHBERGER, Enos J., 81, Apple Creek R2, Ohio

died at his home Thursday morning, December 18. Born in Holmes County on August 18, 1894, he was a son of Joe P. and Lovina (Swartzentruber) Hershberger. On December 9, 1915 he married Sevilla Yoder, who survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Joni (Anna) Zook of Dalton R2 and Mrs. William J. (Rebecca) Swartzentruber of Port Washington; eight sons, Christ of the home, Joe and Andy, both of Dalton R2, Levi of Fredericksburg R2, Enos of Winfield, Pa., Dan of Canton, Minn., Jacob pf Chesley, Ont., and Mose of Desboro, Ont.; five sisters, Mrs. Emanuel P. (Delilah) Gingerich of Ethridge, Tenn., Mrs. Dan (Mary) Troyer of Fredericksburg R2, Mrs. Jacob S. (Lovina) Miller of Dundee R1, Mrs. John P. (Saloma) Hershberger of Dalton R2 and Mrs. Eli J. (Lizzie) Miller of Conewango Valley, N. Y.; 105 grandchildren and 153 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, December 21, at the residence by Bishop John A. Miller. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery in Paint Township.

KLINE, David, 21, Fredericksburg R2, Ohio

died Tuesday afternoon, December 16, in Akron City Hospital from injuries received in a farm tractor accident (see front page). Born at Millersburg, he was a son of Jerry E. and Emma (Kauffman) Kline. Surviving in addition to his parents are grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David E. Kline of Fredericksburg R2, and Andrew Kaufman of Millersburg R4; a sister and four brothers, Mrs. John E. (Betty) Miller of Dundee R2, and Wayne, John, Jerry Jr., and James, all of the home. David had planned to be married to Elsie, daughter of Aden A. Yoders of Millersburg R5 in January of 1976.

Funeral services were held December 26th at the home in house and shop and also at the Melvin J. Yoder home.

MAST, Mrs. Jake J. (Mary), 87, Geauga Co., Ohio

died December 30th in her home after a lengthy illness. She is survived by four daughters, Sara Weaver of Middlefield, Emma Sidley of Newton Falls, Lizzie Ann Troyer of Holladay, Tenn., Malinda Mast of Saymour, Mo.; two sons, John of Middlefield, and Albert of Montville; three brothers, Eli S. Miller of Dover, Del., Joe Miller of Middlefield, and Andy Miller of Fredericksburg, Ohio.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. on Jan. 2nd.

MILLER, Mrs. Leah E., 72, 2455 Bachman Rd., Lancaster, Pa.

died Monday a.m., December 8, at the home of her son, Ephraim, where she lived in the small end of the house for only two years in July. She died from a blood clot passing over her heart, after a lengthy illness of heart trouble. Born in Lancaster County, she was a daughter of the late Jacob and Lydia (Esh) King. She is survived by her husband, John P. Miller; two sons, Christian K. Miller of Strasburg R1, and Ephraim K. Miller of Lancaster; three daughters, Lydia, wife of Eli Ebersol, and Sadie, wife of Michael Esh, both of Strasburg R1, and Rebecca, wife of Leroy Esch of New Providence R1; 31 grandchildren, and two brothers, Samuel E. King of Leola and Jacob C. King of Narvon R2.

Funeral services were held December 10th at 9 a.m. at her home by John Troyer from Shipshewana, Ind. and Bishop Amos S. Lapp; hymn read by Jonas Esch at the house and by Amos Zook at the Bunker Hill Cemetery; abschied by Joel Zook.

MILLER, Nelson, 19 Mo., Goshen R4, Indiana

died at 4:45 a.m. Sunday, December 7, at St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne after suffering severe burns in a fire at his home (see front page). A twin brother, Norman, also died in the fire. Born May 7, 1974, Nelson was a son of Howard M. and Lillian (Nisley) Miller, who survive. Also surviving are one brother, Orvan, three sisters, Kathryn, LaVera, and Waneta, all at home; the maternal grandparents, Bishop and Mrs. Perry Nisley of Goshen R4; and the paternal grandparents, Pre. and Mrs. Monroe J. Miller of Middlebury R3.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., December 9, at the Nisley home. Burial was in the Nisley Cemetery.

MILLER, Wilbur Lee, 11 days, Arthur, Illinois
died at 11:20 a.m. Monday, December 1, in St. Johns Hospital, Springfield. Surviving are the parents, Elva and Edith (Otto) Miller; three sisters, Mary Sue, Kathryn Ann, and Ida Fern; two brothers, Daniel Ray, and Wilmer Eugene (Norman's twin), all at home; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ottis S. Otto of Tuscola, and Pre. and Mrs. William G. Miller; great-grandparents, Pre. and Mrs. Cris N. Bontrager of Tuscola, and Mr. and Mrs. Eli M. Otto of Sullivan, Ill.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 2, in the Harley Miller residence. Burial was in the Otto Cemetery near Arthur.

PEACHEY, Cassie L., 4, Mifflintown R1, Pa.
died at her home December 14th at the age of 4 yr., 4 mo., 27 days. Cause of death is unknown except that she had a high fever for one day and one night. She was usually a healthy and active child and seldom got sick. The doctor could not find any cause. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Mollie Peachey, four sisters and two brothers, all at home. Her father, Levi Peachey, died last August in a tractor accident. Grandparents are Ben S. Peacheys and Jonas D. Yoders of Belleville, Pa.

Funeral services were held at her home December 17th by David R. Swarey and Abie Renno. Burial was in the Amish Van Wert Cemetery.

SHETLER, Samuel S., 3 Mo., Decatur R6, Indiana
died at 1:20 a.m. December 26th at the Adams County Memorial Hospital, where he had been admitted a few hours earlier. He had been ill one week of congestion. Surviving are the parents, Samuel M. and Amanda N. (Schwartz) Shetler; four brothers, James 4, Alvin 2, Nathan 1, and a twin Daniel 3 Mo.; and grandparents, Mrs. Noah E. Schwartz and Mr. and Mrs. Levi J. Shetler of Monroe R1.

Funeral services were held at the home on December 28th. Burial was in the Schwartz Cemetery.

STEURY, Mrs. Mary A. (Delagrange), 71, Grabill, Ind.
died December 30th of brain cancer, which they think came from an accident she was in a few years ago. She is survived by her husband, Aaron Steury, four sons, Furman, Christ, Pete, and Frederick; five daughters, Mrs. Sam (Marie) Schwartz, Mrs. Sam (Barbara Rose) Eicher, Mrs. Martha Wagler, Mrs. Menno (Amanda) Graber, and Mrs. Lewis (Laura) Lengacher; one brother, Henry; and four sisters, Mrs. Lydia Wittmer, Mrs. Anna Graber, Mrs. Sarah Lengacher, and Mrs. Barbara Lengacher.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Levi Graber of Camden, Michigan. Burial was in the Amish Cemetery.

STOLTZFUS, Jonathan B., 52, Honey Brook R2, Pa.
was killed in an accident Thursday, December 11, near his home (see front page). Born in Caernarvon Township, he was a son of Amos E. and Suvilla F. (Beiler) Stoltzfus of Morgantown R1, who survive. Also surviving are his widow, Barbara S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus; a son, Stevie S. Stoltzfus, at home; three daughters, Suvilla S., wife of Danuel U. Stoltzfus of Spring Mills R2, Esther Mae, wife of Wilmer E. Zook of Mifflinburg R1, and Sadie Ann, wife of Reuben K. Stoltzfus; 14 grandchildren; four sisters, Katie, wife of John M. Stoltzfus, Narvon R1, Malinda, wife of John L. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R1, Barbara, wife of Daniel P. Kauffman, Honey Brook R2, and Mrs. Sarah Blank Narvon R2; and two brothers, Paul B. Stoltzfus of Morgantown R1, and Amos B. Stoltzfus of Honey Brook R2.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 13, by Henry Hershberger and Noah Schlabach from Ohio. Burial was in Stoltzfus Cemetery.

SWAREY, Jesse E., 47, Belleville, Pa.
died Tuesday, December 23, a year after having a cancerous tumor removed (see front page). Born December 4, 1928, he was a son of Mary (Renno) and the late Samuel Swarey. Surviving besides his mother are his wife, Elsie E. (Byler) Swarey; six daughters, Mrs. Steven (Fannie) Peight of Belleville R1, Katie, Esther, Mary, Sylvia, and Amanda, all at home; three brothers, Ezra B., Jacob S., and Urie D., all of Belleville R1; and four sisters, Catherine, Mrs. Kore (Anna) Yoder, Mrs. Menno (Mary) Kanagy, all of Belleville R1, and Mrs. Kore (Sarah) Kanagy of Belleville R2.

Funeral services were held December 26th at the Rufas Peachey home by Vernon Troyer of Sugar Creek, Ohio and Crist B. Peachey. Burial was in the Locust Grove Cemetery.

YODER, Neal M., 69, Millersburg R2, Ohio
died Thursday morning, December 25, in his residence following a year's illness. Born March 27, 1906 in Holmes County, he was a son of Mose C. and Katie (Miller) Yoder, and was married to Lizzie C., daughter of Crist A. and Mattie (Miller) Raber. Surviving are his widow; eight daughters and three sons, Katie, Susan, Mary, Betty, and Mrs. John A. (Barbara) Raber, all of the home, Mrs. Dan B. (Mattie) Yoder of Fredericksburg R2, Mrs. Christ M. (Emma) Troyer and Mose M. E. Yoder, both of Baltic R1, Mrs. Raymond N. (Fannie) Miller of Millersburg R3, Christ M. Yoder of Sugarcreek R1, and Noah M. Yoder of Mt. Hope; four sisters and four brothers, Mrs. Raymond L. (Lizzie) Yoder of Sugarcreek R1, Mrs. V. A. (Sarah) Hershberger and Amos M. Yoder of R3, and David M., R4, all of Millersburg, Mrs. Dan J. D. (Mary) Miller and Mrs. Noah N. (Susan) Yoder, both of Baltic R1, and Eli M. and Mose M. Yoder, both of Fresno; and 35 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, December 28, at 9 a.m. in the residence by Bishop Joe M. Hershberger of the home church and Bishop Eli C. Raber of Hazelton, Iowa. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

MARRIAGES

Holmes County, Ohio

Hershberger, Schlabach — Emanuel, son of Henry J. Hershberger, to Katie, daughter of Mrs. Fannie (Miller) and the late Aaron Schlabach, December 4, by Bishop John J. Miller.

Miller, Troyer — Jacob, son of Bishop Melvin J. and Mattie (Mast) Miller, to Anna, daughter of John G. and Katie (Troyer) Troyer, December 18, in Andy E. Yoder District.

Allen County, Indiana

Schmucker, Schmucker — Martin, son of Albert and Martha (Wittmer) Schmucker, to Susan, daughter of Noah and Ida (Miller) Schmucker, December 18, by Bishop Jonathan F. King of Lancaster County, Pa.

Adams County, Indiana

Girod, Schwartz — Amos M., son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno Girod, Monroe R1, to Elizabeth E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Schwartz, Berne R2, on November 9th.

Girod, Christner — Jerry M., son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno Girod, Monroe R1, to Rosie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Christner, Berne R2, November 16th.

Shetler, Schwartz — Dan Shetler of Kalona, Iowa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob J. Shetler, Monroe R1, to Widow Ada K. Schwartz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hilty, Bryant R1, November 27th.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Beechy, Herschberger — Amos J., son of Dea. John M. and Katie (Hochstedler) Beechy, to Lorene, daughter of Perry N. and Mary M. (Yoder) Herschberger, December 11th.

Miller, Miller — Elmer E., son of Ervin J. and Mary (Lambright) Miller, to Irene, daughter of Elmer C. and Ida (Yoder) Miller, December 18th.

Elkhart County, Indiana

Lambright, Gingerich — Christy, son of Harvey J. Lambright, Topeka R1, to Carolyn, daughter of Dewey and Edna Gingerich, Middlebury R1, Dec. 23rd.

Ethridge, Tennessee

Hostetler, Stutzman — Daniel, son of John J. and Katieann (Hershberger) Hostetler, to Sarah, daughter of Bishop Eli and Mary (Gingerich) Stutzman, on December 30, by Bishop Eli N. Stutzman.

Gingerich, Yoder — Emanuel, son of Enos E. and Fannie (Mast) Gingerich, to Mary, daughter of Mose A. and Ida Gingerich, January 1, by Bishop Andrew Schrock from Holmes County, Ohio.

Anabel, Missouri

Borntrager, Schrock — Widower David A. Borntrager, to Susie, daughter of Sam J. Schrocks of Middlebury, Indiana.

Audrain County, Missouri

Petersheim, Miller — Jacob, son of Ed and Fannie Petersheim, to Lizzie, daughter of Dea. Tobias and Sarah Miller, December 2nd.

Johnson County, Iowa

Bontrager, Kauffman — Ivan, son of Emanuel and Barbara (Swartzendruber) Bontrager, to Mary Lou, daughter of Abe and Alta (Otto) Kauffman, December 17, at the Ezra Jay Miller home by the groom's grandfather, Bishop Enos C. Swartzendruber.

Grey County, Ontario

Stutzman, Hershberger — Jacob, son of Joe N. and Katie (Zook) Stutzman, Desboro R1, to Anna, daughter of Jacob C. and Katie (Shetler) Hershberger, Chesley R4, Nov. 20, by Bishop Sam Swartzentruber.

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October 28

Lapp, Stoltzfus — Samuel P., son of Amos S. and Ruth (Petersheim) Lapp, Bird-in-Hand R1, to Miriam, daughter of Amos S. and Sadie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler.

Stoltzfus, King — Stephen L., Jr., son of Stephen and Emma (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Leola R1, to Annie, daughter of Elam and Malinda (Esh) King, Leola R1, by Bishop Enos M. Beiler.

Beiler, Beiler — Andrew, son of Christ P. and Lydia (Lapp) Beiler, Ronks R1, to Ruth, daughter of David and Bena (Lapp) Beiler, New Holland R3, by Bishop John L. Stoltzfus.

Fisher, Fisher — John, son of Daniel L. and Elizabeth (Lapp) Fisher, Ronks R1, to Emma, daughter of Amos L. and Anna (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Gordonville R1, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

October 30

Fisher, Zook — Emanuel, son of Levi J. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Bird-in Hand R1, to Ruth, daughter of Emanuel and Leah (Dienner) Zook, Gap R1, by Bishop Gideon King.

Esh, Glick — Benjamin, son of Stephen J. and Sarah (Fisher) Esh, Paradise R1, to Barbara, daughter of Christ R. and Mary (King) Glick, Gap R1, by Bishop John F. Glick.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus — Levi, son of John B. and Susan (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, to Malinda, daughter of Benj. K. and Anna Mary (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, by Bishop Christ M. Fisher.

Stoltzfus, Beiler — Elmer, son of Mary (Blank) and the late Christ N. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, to Rosa, daughter of Jacob . and Lydiann (Zehr) Beiler, Ronks R1, by Bishop Sylvan F. Stoltzfus.

Blank, King — Joseph E., son of Amos and Barbara (Esh) Blank, Gap R1, to Susie, daughter of John and Miriam (Stoltzfus) King, Honey Brook, by Bishop Amos G. Esh.

Smucker, Fisher — Elmer B., son of Sarah (Stoltzfus) and the late Amos Smucker, Narvon R1, to Fannie, daughter of Amos L. and Susie (Fisher) Fisher, Ronks R1, by Bishop Amos M. Stoltzfus.

Riehl, Stoltzfus — John S., son of Jacob Z. and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Gordonville R1, to Rebecca, daughter of Levi S. and Elizabeth (King) Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp.

Kauffman, Esh — Ben M., son of Samuel S. and Sarah (Esh) Kauffman, Christiana R1, to Emma S., daughter of Enos and Emma (Stoltzfus) Esh, Gordonville R1, by Bishop Samuel S. Kauffman.

King, Yoder – Ephraim, son of Enos K. and Barbara (Stoltzfus) King, Paradise R1, to Katie F., daughter of Jonas B. and Mary (Fisher) Yoder, Gordonville R1, by Bishop Amos L. Beiler.

Glick, Miller – Amos Z., son of David R., Jr., and Rachel (Zook) Glick, Leola R1, to Elizabeth, daughter of Aaron P. and Mary (Blank) Miller, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop David K. Blank.

November 4

Yoder, Stoltzfus – Benj., son of Jonas and Mary (Fisher) Yoder, Gordonville R1, to Fannie Mae, daughter of Katie (Beiler) and the late Levi Stoltzfus, Narvon R2, by Bishop Samuel F. Stoltzfus.

Lantz, Esch – Jonas, son of Isaac and Rachel (Beiler) Lantz, Leola R1, to Sylvia Mae, daughter of Ephraim and Sarah (Beiler) Esch, Strasburg R1, by Bishop Isaac H. Zook, Lebanon County.

Lapp, King – Moses, son of Sylvia (Lapp) and the late John U. Lapp. Gordonville R1, to Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob and Edna (Stoltzfus) King, Paradise R1, by Bishop Israel Beiler.

Lapp, Stoltzfus – Melvin, son of Elmer L. and Arie (Esh) Lapp, Narvon R2, to Sarah Ann, daughter of John K. and Nancy Ann (Dienner) Stoltzfus, Gap R1, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

Lapp, Blank – Eli, son of Gideon F. and Elizabeth (King) Lapp, Ronks R1, to Katie, daughter of Jacob and Katie (Fisher) Blank, Kinzer R1, by Bishop David Blank; Stoltzfus, Blank – Kore, son of Samuel and Rachel (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, to Ruth, daughter of Jacob and Katie (Fisher) Blank, Kinzer R1, by Bishop David Blank.

King, Stoltzfus – Stephen, son of Enos and Rachel (Stoltzfus) King, Quarryville R3, to Arie, daughter of Jonas and Fannie (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Christiana R1, by Bishop David L. Riehl.

Kauffman, Esh – Omar, son of Daniel and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, Honey Brook R1, to Annie, daughter of John E. and Mary (Petersheim) Esh, Gordonville R1, by Bishop Elam Kauffman.

November 6

Esh, Smucker – Joseph, son of Enos and Emma (Stoltzfus) Esh, Gordonville R1, to Sadie, daughter of Henry and Susie (Fisher) Smucker, Lancaster, by Bishop Enos Esh.

Lapp, Stoltzfus – Jonathan, son of Amos L. and Annie (Esh) Lapp, Ronks R1, to Elizabeth, daughter of Aaron E. and Malinda (King) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

Stoltzfus, Beiler – Ephraim, Jr., son of Annie (Esh) and the late Ephraim Stoltzfus, Gap R1, to Sylvia, daughter of Elias S. and Fannie (Blank) Beiler, Leola R1, by Bishop Isaac H. Zook.

King, Riehl – Isaac, son of John B. and Barbara (Zook) King, Paradise R1, to Arie, daughter of David and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Kirkwood R1, by Bishop Joel K. Zook.

King, Beiler – Aaron, son of Mary (Glick) and the late Amos E. King, Lancaster, to Christiana, daughter of Benuel F. and Sarah (Dienner) Beiler, Gap R1, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher.

Beiler, King – Aaron, son of Lloyd and Mattie (King) Beiler, Narvon R2, to Sarah, Daughter of Amos and Rachel (Fisher) King, New Providence R1, by Bishop Amos S. Lapp.

Beiler, Zook – Amos, son of John S. and Betsy (Zook) Beiler, Kinzer, to Mary, daughter of Amos and Emma (Allgyer) Zook, Gap R1, by Bishop Sam F. Stoltzfus.

Fisher, Beiler – Stephen, son of Isaac S. and Fannie (Lapp) Fisher, Gordonville R1, to Sadie, daughter of Levi S. and Elizabeth (King) Beiler, Kinzer R1, by Bishop Amos E. King.

Zook, King – Amos, son of Elam and Katie (Glick) Zook, Bird-in-Hand R1, to Priscilla, daughter of Samuel and Mattie (Stoltzfus) King, Ronks R1, by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus – Emanuel, son of David and Amanda (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook, to Emma, daughter of John K. and Rachel (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, by Bishop Christ M. Fisher.

Petersheim, Stoltzfus – Stephen, son of Enos S. and Sadie (Riehl) Petersheim, Christiana R1, to Sara, daughter of Mary (Blank) and the late Christ N. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, by Bishop Amos L. Beiler.

November 11

Fisher, Esh – Amos, son of Levi J. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Bird-in-Hand R1, to Lydia Ann, daughter of Samuel A. and Mary (Schmucker) Esh, Paradise R1, by Bishop Ervin Lehman of Indiana.

Beiler, Stoltzfus – Jacob, son of Omar K. and Anna (Blank) Beiler, Leola R1, to Fannie L., daughter of Gideon and Naomi (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook, by Bishop Ervin Hostetler, Indiana.

King, Stoltzfus – Isaac, son of Aaron F. and Emma (King) King, Gordonville R1, to Mattie, daughter of Mary (King) and the late Levi Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, by Bishop Jonathan F. King.

Stoltzfus, King – Stephen, son of Jacob E. and Katie (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Strasburg R1, to Lydia, daughter of David B. and Ada (King) King, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop Joel K. Zook.

Stoltzfus, Beiler – Sol S., son of Sadie (Stoltzfus) and the late Sol Stoltzfus, Gap, to Nancy, daughter of Elam K. and Mary (Dienner) Beiler, Coatesville R2, by Bishop Sam F. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Esh – David, son of Eli S. and Emma (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, to Lena Mae, daughter of Levi S. and Mary (Beiler) Esh, Gordonville R1, by Bishop Amos S. Lapp.

King, Stoltzfus – Jacob, son of Amos M. and Lydia (Lapp) King, Gordonville R1, to Mary, daughter of Amos M. and Leah (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Morgantown R1, by Bishop John U. Stoltzfus.

Lapp, Glick – Amos, son of Samuel S. and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Ronks R1, to Sadie, daughter of Elam S. and Naomi (Stoltzfus) Glick, Leola R1, by Bishop Isaac H. Zook.

Lapp, Stoltzfoos – Enos, son of Sarah (King) and the late Ephraim Lapp, Quarryville R2, to Elizabeth, LANCASTER CO. MARRIAGES, Continued

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daughter of Daniel F. and Rachel (Fisher) Stoltzfoos, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

Blank, Yoder – Henry K, Jr., son of Henry K. and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Blank, Kinzer R1, to Susie, daughter of Samuel K. and Sarah (Beiler) Yoder, Christiana R1, by Bishop Jacob E. Byler, Mifflin County.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus – Isaac, son of Abram L. and the late Barbara (Stoltzfus) Christiana R1, to Fannie, daughter of John K. and Lydia (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop Israel Beiler.

November 13

Stoltzfus, Dienner – John Ivan, son of Lloyd J. and Amie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, to Orpha, daughter of Isaac and Barbara (Glick) Dienner, Gap, by Bishop Gideon King.

Esh, Glick – Eli, son of John K. and Hannah (King) Esh, Kirkwood R1, to Susie, daughter of Amos K. and Lizzie (Fisher) Glick, Quarryville R3, by Bishop John S. Glick.

Stoltzfus, Glick – Mose D, Jr., son of Moses D. and Lydia (Blank) Stoltzfus, Gap R1, to Marie, daughter of Jacob E. and Emma (Stoltzfus) Glick, Kinzer R1, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher.

Beiler, Smucker – Christian, son of Jacob E. and Mary (Miller) Beiler, Ronks R1, to Rebecca, daughter of Sarah (Stoltzfus) and the late Amos Smucker, Narvon R1, by Bishop Aaron Esh.

Lapp, Stoltzfus – Daniel, son of Gideon B. and the late Elizabeth (Fisher) Lapp, Ronks R1, to Sara, daughter of Aquilla R. and Fannie (Beiler) Stoltzfus, Gordonville, by Bishop Aaron Y, Beiler.

Beiler, Beiler – Benjamin Allen, son of Jacob K. and Katie (Beiler) Beiler, Holtwood R2, to Priscilla, daughter of Stephen L. and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Christiana R1, by Bishop David L. Riehl.

Fisher, Lapp – Allen, son of Stephen U. and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Gordonville, to Priscilla, daughter of Amos M. and Lydia (Petersheim) Lapp, Kinzer R1, by Bishop Daniel S. Fisher.

November 18

Beiler, Riehl – Emanuel, son of Christian P. and Lydia (Lapp) Beiler, Ronks R1, to Leah, daughter of Gideon and Rebecca (Lapp) Riehl, Kinzer R1, by Bishop John F. Glick.

Kauffman, Lapp – Daniel U., son of Levi P. and Amie (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, Honey Brook, to Priscilla, daughter of Samuel S. and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Ronks R1, by Bishop Elam P. Kauffman.

Fisher, King – David, son of Seth and Annie (Riehl) Fisher, Gordonville R1, to Mary Ann, daughter of Aaron S. and Mary (Stoltzfus) King, Lancaster, by Bishop Amos E. King.

Blank, Fisher – John, son of David K. and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Blank, Lancaster, to Lavina, daughter of Samuel E. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Gordonville R1, by Bishop David K. Blank.

Esh, Beiler – Benuel, son of Jonas K. and Naomi (Stoltzfus) Esh, Ronks R1, to Annie, daughter of John K. and Anna Mary (Esch) Beiler, Quarryville R3, by Bishop Samuel S. Kauffman.

Esh, Smucker – David, son of Leroy S. and Ruth (Huyard) Esh, Gordonville R1, to Freida, daughter of Annie (Beiler) and the late Dan Smucker, Gap R1, by Bishop Sam. F. Stoltzfus.

King, Esh – Jonathan, son of Christ S. and Fannie (Riehl) King, Gordonville R1, to Amanda, daughter of Stephen and Lydia (King) Esh, Ronks R1, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

Stoltzfus, King – John, son of Amos M. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R1, to Elsie, daughter of Ammon K. and Sarah (Huyard) King, Christiana R1, by Bishop Amos M. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Beiler – Jacob, son of Moses D. and Lydia (Blank) Stoltzfus, Gap R1, to Sara Ann, daughter of John S. and Betsy (Zook) Beiler, Kinzer, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus – Jonas, son of Jonas S. and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook, to Lizzie, daughter of Samuel M. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Narvon R1, by Bishop Enos Esh.

November 20

Fisher, Lapp – David, son of Daniel Z. and Mary (Beiler) Fisher, Gordonville R1, to Barbara, daughter of Emanuel S. and Katie (Esh) Lapp, New Holland, by Bishop Amos E. King.

King, Beiler – Abram, son of Rebecca (Lapp) and the late Isaac F. King, Ronks R1, to Anna Mae, daughter of Isaac A. and Lavina (Beiler) Beiler, Kinzer R1, by Bishop John F. Glick.

Stoltzfus, Beiler – Jacob, son of Priscilla (Stoltzfus) and the late Israel Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R1, to Martha, daughter of Jacob K. and Katie (Beiler) Beiler, Holtwood R2, by Bishop Amos G. Esh.

Stoltzfus, Esh – John, son of Stephen M. and Rebecca (Kauffman) Stoltzfus, Christiana R1, to Emma, daughter of John P. and Sarah (King) Esh, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop David L. Riehl.

Lapp, Kauffman – Amos, son of Amos K. and Mary (Fisher) Lapp, Leola R1, to Mamie, daughter of Daniel P. and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, Honey Brook, by Bishop Daniel S. Fisher.

Flaud, Stoltzfus – Aaron, son of Christ and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Flaud, Gap R1, to Barbara, daughter of Amos B. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gap R1, by Bishop Jonathan F. King.

Beiler, Glick – John, son of Reuben S. and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Beiler, to Sadie, daughter of David W. and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Glick, Lancaster, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

November 25

Stoltzfus, Beiler – Paul, son of John B. and Lydia (Smoker) Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, to Fannie Ruth, daughter of Phares E. and Mary (Beiler) Beiler, Ronks R1, by Bishop John M. Beiler.

Glick, Martin – Menno, son of Abner R. and the late Fannie (King) Glick, Gap R1, to Colleen, daughter of Charles and Edith (Zimmerman) Martin, Kinzer R1, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher.

Beiler, Esh – Amos, son of Stephen L. and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Christiana R1, to Barbara, daughter of John J. and Elizabeth (Glick) Esh, Quarryville R3, by Bishop Samuel S. Kauffman.

King, Glick – Benjamin, son of Jonas B. and Rachel (Beiler) King, Narvon R2, to Naomi Mae, daughter of John M. and the late Fannie (Stoltzfus) Glick, Lancaster, by Bishop Gideon King.

Riehl, Stoltzfus – David, son of David L. and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Kirkwood R1, to Fannie, daughter of Amos L. and Ada (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook, by Bishop David L. Riehl.

Riehl, Beiler – Jonas, son of Jacob and Leah (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Bird-in-Hand R1, to Emma, daughter of John S. and Mary (Riehl) Beiler, Ronks R1, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler.

November 27

Zook, Smoker – John, son of Isaac N. and Mattie (King) Zook, Narvon R1, to Mary Ann, daughter of Israel and Susie (King) Smoker, Lancaster, by Bishop Elam P. Kauffman.

Beiler, Stoltzfus – Levi, son of John S. and Hannah (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Paradise R1, to Emma, daughter of Christ E. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Narvon R1, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler.

Kauffman, Fisher – Ben E., son of Joseph and Susie (Esh) Kauffman, Christiana R1, to Arie, daughter of Ezra and Katie (Ebersol) Fisher, Lititz R1, by Bishop Samuel S. Kauffman.

Ebersol, Yoder – Abram, son of Isaac F. and Rebecca (Beiler) Ebersol, Lancaster, to Katie, daughter of Amos F. and Barbara (Fisher) Yoder Gap, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher.

Stoltzfus, Zook – Christ F., son of Christ K. and Emma (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Kinzer R1, to Mary, daughter of Abner S. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Zook, Gap R1, by Bishop John F. Glick.

King, Glick – Aaron S., Jr., son of Aaron S. and Mary (Stoltzfus) King, Lancaster, to Rebecca, daughter of Benj. and Barbara (Glick) Riehl, Ronks R1, by Bishop John S. Glick.

King, Stoltzfus – Aaron, son of Daniel K. and Sarah (Stoltzfus) King, Quarryville R3, to Mary F., daughter of Daniel L. and Arie (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp.

December 2

Lapp, Glick – Samuel, son of Jonas S. and Katie (King) Lapp, Ronks R1, to Naomi, daughter of Dan and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Glick, Bird-in-Hand R1, by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus – David, son of Daniel L. and Arie (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1, to Katie, daughter of Emanuel F. and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook, by Bishop Jacob M. Stoltzfus.

December 4

Esh, Stoltzfus – Eli, son of Jonas S. and Sarah (King) Esh, Ronks R1, to Barbara, daughter of Gideon B. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gordonville, R1, by Bishop Amos E. King.

December 9

Fisher, Fisher – John, son of Levi E. and Mary (King) Fisher, Kinzer R1, to Elizabeth, daughter of Abner E. and Lizzie (Petersheim) Fisher, Bart, by Bishop Henry S. Fisher.

Esh, Stoltzfus – Daniel G., son of Stephen, Jr. and Sarah (Lapp) Esh, Gordonville R1, to Anna, daughter of John U. and Rebecca (King) Stoltzfus, Morgantown R1, by Bishop John D. Troyer.

December 11

Smoker, Fisher – Omar, son of Rachel (Stoltzfus) and the late John E. Smoker, Ronks R1, to Esther Marie, daughter of Joseph L. and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Ronks R1, by Bishop Leonard Miller, Indiana.

December 23

Lapp, Lapp – David, son of John E. and Malinda (King) Lapp, Gordonville R1, to Lydia, daughter of Gideon F. and Elizabeth (King) Lapp, Ronks R1, by Bishop Sylvan F. Stoltzfus.

IND. BOY HAD OPEN HEART SURGERY

Noah, age 4, son of James and Kathryn (Wittmer) Schmucker of Steuben County, Indiana, underwent open heart surgery in a hospital in Mennesota on December 16th to repair two holes in his heart. All his life his color had been a dark blue, even his finger nails. Now he has a natural color again. He came home December 27th a very much improved boy.

COMMUNITY NOTES – Arthur, Illinois

Willis H. Schrock was having severe abdominal pains and was taken to the Decatur Hospital. He had an appendix operation on December 11th., got along pretty well and was at home again in a little less than a week. They have two small children.

Henry W. Stutzman, 58, had an operation for gallbladder on December 18th, and later had pneumonia. At last reports he was not released from the hospital at Decatur, but seemed to be improving and was expecting to go home before long.

COMMUNITY NOTE – Juniata County, Pennsylvania

1975 is now history. Crops here were just medium good, as rains were scarce during the growing period.

There were fifteen babies born here, seven girls and eight boys. Only one member was married and will take up housekeeping elsewhere. No one moved in this year and one member moved away.

Healthwise we didn't fare so well as we had five deaths here, two men, one woman, and two children (one a stillborn) were buried in 1975. Nine of our people spent some time in a hospital this past year. There are around fifty-eight families here now in two church districts. None of the five deaths were of our oldest people.

To begin with we will have a postal raise of from 10¢ to 13¢ for letters. Our country doesn't seem any better off now than it was two hundred years ago when it began going for itself without its mother England's supervision.

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CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Dover, Delaware, by Neil N. Hershberger

Weather for December was about normal with the usual changes of temperature, but not as wet as normal. Total rainfall for December was 4.7 inches, with 3 inches of this in the last two days. Total rainfall for 1975 was 75.7 inches, far above our normal of 40 to 50 inches. No measureable amount of snow yet this winter, although some snow flurries. Temperature was mild, with a low of 15 on the 19th, and the 24th. The high was 62 on the 15th, Not much farm work except choring and hauling manure, butchering, and still some corn to husk and shred.

St. Mary's County, Maryland, by Amos R.. Stoltzfus

The first half of December we had some sixty-degree weather, with the usual December cold squalls between. On Dec. 18 it got cold and windy, stayed cold for eight days. It was also dry, giving farmers a chance to shred their fodder. Coldest was 13 on the 19th. The last two days it rained and rained. No snow except for snow flurries and a squall which did not accumulate much.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, by Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for the Bareville area was 2.7 inches.

Market report: Prime fat cattle $50 cwt.; feeders $25 to $41 cwt; fat hogs $54 to $55 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs $1 to $1.20 lb.; Veal $68 to $72 cwt; lambs $45 to $49 cwt; Dairy cows at New Holland $470 to $1000; heavy fowl 20¢ lb; roasters 41¢ lb.; capons 70¢ lb; ducks 69¢ lb; geese 48¢ lb; turkeys 49¢ lb; large eggs 75¢ doz. Corn $77 ton or $2.55 bu.; wheat $3 bu; oats $1.60 bu; barley $1.85 bu. Hay $45 to $94 ton; straw $45 to $58 ton, corn fodder $35 to $40 ton; potatoes retail $6 cwt; milk $10.50.

by Phares Z. Stoltzfus

December started off rainy with a little sleet. We had nice weather to plow until the 17th. High was in the 60's, low was 12 on the 24th. It was cold enough for skating on Christmas and the two days before. We had about three inches rain in December. It was raining the night of the 31st as the old year faded away. I guess we'll put the plow away now.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, by Levi S. King

We had very little rain the first part of December, until over Chrsitmas and New Year's we had a total of 2.8 inches rain and 5 inches snow for the month. The total for 1975 was 58.6 inches rain and 32 in. snow. A good bit of cool and damp northeast winds were blowing during the last month. Coldest for the month was 10 degrees with a strong wind.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Beiler

The first two weeks in December were mostly nice, a little on the cold side. The third week it turned colder, then we had eight days of below freezing temperatures. Some days it did not reach 20. We had a white Christmas, although not a deep snow. The last days of the month we are having ice.

Centre County, Pennsylvania, by David Stoltzfus

Temperatures stayed below freezing through much of December, although there were some days when farmers did a little plowing. Light coverings of snow were common, with the heaviest snowfall on Christmas Day, about 3 inches, but changing to rain overnight causing slush and later ice. There was a good bit of run-off from fields as the ground is frozen hard.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania, by Sam M. Troyer

Most of December was fairly cool, quite often around freezing. The first while it was warmer. The coldest was at 7 on the 19th. There was about 3 in. of snow and 2½ in. of rain.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, by Catherine Swarey

December was somewhat gray, foggy, and cloudy. The first snowfall was Dec. 4, about 4 to 6 inches. We also had a few inches of rain for the month. It snowed about 6 inches on Christmas. We had a good bit of rain, sleet, and snow since. The ground has been covered with snow since Christmas. Low was 8 degrees.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania, by David Y. Renno

The weather in December was mostly fair, dry, and cold. Very little snow fell, and normal amount of rainfall. Total precipitation for the year was 54 in; which is 18 inches above normal. Temperature dropped to below 10 degrees several nights.

Franklin County, Pennsylvania, by Jacob E. Flaud

We had nice winter weather through December. Very little snow fell but a freezing rain on Christmas. On the 18th and 19th it was very cold and windy, temperature down to 10 degrees and windy.

Path Valley, Pennsylvania, by Daniel Z. Beiler

The weather in December continued mild with a few cold spells and snow flurries. The ground was not covered good until the 25th when we had a few inches snow. On the 30th it snowed 3 inches in the night. Low around 10. There were some very nice, sunny days. Corn husking is about done, a good crop. Small grain looks good, Some fall plowing was done. Ground is frozen now, so it is better suited for manure hauling. Milk prices are up to around $10-. Cow prices are also higher.

Adams County, Pennsylvania, by Elizabeth Stoltzfus

The coldest for December was 11 on the 19th, with a very cold and blustery wind. Ponds and creeks froze over, so folks that enjoy ice skating could skate for a few days. On the eve of Christmas Day it started to snow, later changing to sleet and rain. It was foggy and rainy all day Friday. Roads were icy in the morning hours. The last week had mostly cloudy days with rain Tues. and Wed. On New Year's morning the ground was covered with several inches of snow. A lot of corn was picked during December. Men are busy with repair work and hauling manure.

Oakland, Maryland, by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

We have had an unusually mild winter so far. The first part of December seemed more like spring, with cold nights and warmer days. At present we have snow, but not enough to hinder traffic. We also had rain Thursday night, which turned to a coat of ice on top of the snow. Temperature at 35 this morning.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania, by Abe Kinsinger

December has been fairly nice, not very cold the beginning of the month. A lot of cloudy weather and some rainfall with a few cold snaps mixed in. Not much snow, which saves the state money by not needing to plow roads so much. We had some ice on trees with sun shining on them, which makes a picture hard to describe in beauty.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania, by Mrs. Menno Fisher

Temperature was changeable in December. We had many cloudy days. It snowed more than half of the days in Dec, but not a big amount until the 20th. Then there was a foot of snow on the ground. The low was 10 one morning. Deer are plentiful, but not as many were shot as some years. There are still lots left to do crop damage, according to the tracks. Milk price is up to $10,05 cwt.

St. Lawrence County (Norfolk), N. Y., by Jerry Schwartz

We had a lot of cold weather and snow in December, with a low of 33 below zero. It has warmed up and is thawing now.

Geauga County, Ohio, by John H. Hershberger

The weather for December, in the forepart the temperature was in the 20's and fair. On the fifth and sixth it was 60 and sunny. Some rain and snow fell the ninth. The 13th to 15th it was very mild again, up to 52, then gradually dropping down to 4 by the 19th. The 18th we had 8 inches snow, windy and cold all day. It has been mostly in the 20's since, till the last few days we had rain, snow going fast.

Wayne County, Ohio, by Lavina J. Miller

Temperature has been around freezing this last week. We had about 6 inches rainfall during Dec. also 3 different blankets of snow. Very unusual winter weather for this time of year. Work among the men folks is sawing wood and shredding corn shocks. Quite a bit of it to be done yet. Some farmers have been busy hunting deer or rabbits.

Holmes County, Ohio, by Mrs. John H. Yoder

Weather has been changeable, ranging from 7 to 60 degrees. Mostly on the cold side, with quite a bit of 20 degrees and some snow, also some rainy days.

Southeastern Holmes, by John L. Yoder

December had a variety of weather, with two or three mornings close to zero. Not too much snow, some rainfall, also some nice and warm days, along with some cloudy and chilly days. Hog and pig prices are not making much change.

Barrs Mills, by Jonas N. Borntrager

Mild winter weather, seven above zero was the coldest so far. We had a little snow, but it was soon gone again. After the fall crops were harvested, the farmers did some plowing. Most of the livestock markets are working down a bit.

Utica, Ohio, by Melvin E. Gingerich

December was rather a cold month, staying quite cold up until Christmas. We had a beautiful white Christmas. The last week and a half of December was warmer, with cloudy skies and rain. The rainfall was 3.4 inches for Dec. The high was 63 on the 15th, and the low was one below zero on the 24th. Corn and soybeans were good this year, and we had lots of pasture almost to December,

Centreville, Michigan, by Treva Jane Yoder

December was warm, also rain, cold, and snow. The 14th we had some lightning and rain in the morning, 1½ inches over the weekend, then the 18th it was down to 7 degrees. The 21st we had about 6 in. snow, but not much left by the 25th. It started to snow in the night, and we had a foot of snow Fri. and Sat. Fat hogs were 51¢ at Topeka, Ind.

Branch County, Michigan, by Mrs, Noah N. Schwartz

We have seen quite a bit of snow in December. Many of the days were cloudy or partly cloudy. On the 18th and 28th the temperature dropped to zero, but by the next morning it had risen to 10 degrees.

Montgomery, Michigan, by Mrs. Noah N. Eicher

December is best described as a changeable month. A lot of plowing was done the first half. On Dec. fifth the temperature was from 54 to 60 degrees, and clear skies. Two days later it started to drop, was down to 12 on the seventh. By the 13th it warmed up again to 57. The coldest was around Christmas at 10, with about 6 to 7 inches of snow. We had a lot of snow on the ground over the cold days, which brought out a lot of snowmobiles. On the 29th it was raining and freezing with temperature at 30. Men are busy cutting and buzzing wood. Some butchering has been done. There were a lot of cloudy days. We had thunder and lightning the 6th.

Mio, Michigan, by Melvin Gingerich

The year 1975 is now history. The last month of the year was rather mild, with the exception of a few cold spells that the temperature was down to 15 degrees below zero in some areas. Not much snow so far this winter. We had about five inches at the end of the month.

Bronson, Michigan, by Ora A. Graber

Average temperature for the month, but precipitation was higher than usual, coming in rain the forepart and in snow the latter part. The coldest was zero on the 29th, and the high was 69 the first week. Grain prices are down considerably from a year ago. Beef is down, hogs up.

Allen County, Indiana, by Mrs. John Schmucker

December came in cold, 19 degrees with wind chill factor of 17 below. We had three days of nice weather in the 60's. The coldest was on Dec. 18th at 10 degrees. We had a white Christmas with several inches of snow, which is still on the ground. We had some rain since, but turned colder.

LaGrange County, Indiana, by Anna Eash

We have had lovely winter weather, December 1 dawned bright and fair after an all day rain and a cloudy end to November. We have had teen size temperatures, but mostly the sun comes out in the afternoon. We had a lovely snow again the middle of the month, but it was soon gone. Dec. 20 we had snow again, with some of it still remaining. Flu has gripped some victims, who have quite a time to get to feeling well again. We had a white Christmas. During the night after, we had quite a bit, with northerly winds, gusty at times. It is filling up fast with soft clinging snow. Temperatures are moderate, cloudy, and seems like more snow coming.

Elkhart County, Indiana, by Sam K. Stoltzfus

December started in with sunny skies and cold, warming up to 60 by the fourth. Evening of the fifth we had an all night rain, clearing and colder the sixth. The Second week it was snowy and icy till the 12th, rainy and foggy, the 13th it warmed up to 60 again, with rain during the night. The 14th it was 66, rain during the night and the next day. It turned cooler the 18th, was windy and 10 above, plus snow flurries all day. The 21st we had sunny skies and fair with snow on the ground. Snow on Christmas, and more the next day amounting to 6 inches. The 29th, rain and slick roads making it hard to travel. The last two days were damp and cloudy. Whooping cough and flu are making the rounds, and now chicken pox is also starting. Hogs are still a good price, but calves are somewhat cheaper.

Kosciusko County, Indiana, by Joni D. Gingerich

December in the Nappanee area, like the rest of our fall and winter so far, was a mild month. There was not enough ice on the deeper ponds at any time for ice skating. Our cold weather did not last long enough at any time to freeze very much. Our low was 7 above on the 28th and 29th. The high was 66 on the 13th and 14th. We had over 3 inches rain. On the ninth it snowed 2½ inches, which only lasted a few days, then on the 19th we had two more inches. The night after Christmas it snowed 3 inches more, causing a lot of drifted roads and lanes. The highway department was busy all day the 26th to clear the roads. There were 15 deaths reported in the state due to the hazardous road conditions. We had three very windy days, 6 days of all sunshine, and 11 days that were cloudy. There was a lot of plowing done during the fall, even into December. Hay is not selling as high this winter so far. It brings from $35 to $75 per ton. Grain prices were a little stronger during the month, but are down again somewhat. Soybeans are $4.07; ear corn $2.19; wheat $2.80 per bu. Choice hogs are bringing $49.50; grade B milk $7.55 for 3.5 test. Wood cutting, butchering, and attending farm sales are the farmers main interests.

Kokomo, Indiana, by Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

December brought some ideal winter weather. The first week was very cold and windy with a few snow flurries. Towards the middle of the month it turned warmer, bringing a day of sunshine now and then. between the cloudy and rainy days. We had around 10 inches of snow over Christmas, but a few days later it rained again, so that only the snow banks remained.

Arthur, Illinois, by Menno A. Diener

The weather has been more changeable with about 3 or 4 inches of rain, mostly the first half of the month. The temperature was mostly above freezing till the 18th, when it was down to 6 degrees. In a few days we had some snow; the 24th quite a bit of wind and about 4 inches of snow and colder. The snow was not quite all gone before New Year's.

Guthrie, Kentucky, by Jesse D. Peachey

We are having typical winter weather. We have not seen the sun for over a week. We had a cold spell the week of the 15th, down to 10. Farmers are cutting firewood, hauling manure, etc. Hogs are $51; beans $3.95; corn $2.45.

Ethridge, Tennessee, by Jacob J. Gingerich

December was drier than average, with 3.6 inches rainfall, most of it in the last half of the month. Low was 13 on the 18th and 19th, which froze hard enough to let some of the soybean harvesters finish up on low lands. Several people have done some plowing. The high was 69. Pigs are somewhat higher again. Cattle are holding their same. High for the year was 93, low 10, rainfall 79 5 inches.

Anabel, Missouri, by Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

December has been mild and dry. We had one cold snap, dipping to zero. We had a green Christmas. We are having a freezing rain (Dec. 30), but not enough to do any damage. We had a good bit of foggy weather over Christmas and since. Some plowing was done the first half of the month.

Audrain County, Missouri, by Samuel D. Beachy

On Nov. 26 we had a six-inch snow, but all melted by the 29th and rained several inches. This put the ground in shape to plow and a lot of it was done the first two weeks in December. The coldest was zero on the 18th. The ground has been frozen since. The last nine days of December were cloudy and damp, with a little snow, ice, and rain. The yearly rainfall was lower than it has been for a number of years. The deer season for both kinds was open Nov. 15 and 16, and for bucks only till the 23rd. 45,000 were killed over the state. Ten or twelve were killed by our people in this community. We had a very beautiful fall, but slightly dry.

Pike County, Missouri, by George Yoder

December has not been as cold as sometimes. It was down to zero once, some light snows, and also several light rains. The ground is not frozen much, a little shredding to do yet. Several have their milk houses up and certified, and are selling milk again.

Jamesport, Missouri, by Amos W. Yoder

Mild winter weather, with quite a few sunny days through December, excepting the 18th when the temperature was down to zero. We had a 2 inch snow the 28th.

Seymour, Missouri, by Memo D. Schwartz

We had some rain on the fifth, with thunder, then it turned real warm a few days. We had hardly any snow all month. We did have a white Christmas, but it did not snow much and was soon gone again. The latter part of December was dreary and cloudy.

Marshfield, Missouri, by David A. Kinsinger

We had some real nice winter weather after our snow on Thanksgiving Day; high temperature around 60 degrees, then a drop to almost zero around the 17th. We got several inches of snow in time to have a nice white Christmas. Had very few sunny days the last two weeks, not real cold. Hog and pig market was down but is about back again. Milk has risen to $8.30 for 3.5 test. Fair quality orchard grass and clover sells for around $70 a ton, and alfalfa is up to $90.

Garnett, Kansas, by Edward H. Yoder

December had a wide range of weather: snow, rain, warm, and cold. We did not have a lot of moisture. We haven't had any steady cold weather.

Reno County (Haven), Kansas, by Mrs. E. E. Schrock

We have not had very much snow yet this winter. The coldest was 6 degrees. The holidays were nice.

Johnson County, Iowa, by Eli S. Bontrager

The temperatures have been pretty steady the last few weeks, mostly cloudy the last while. No snow for three weeks. Our coldest was 5 below zero, but warmed up again right away. That was on Dec. 10. Butchering has started. The M. C. C. relief canner was here two days, and a lot of pork was processed for the needy.

Buchanan County, Iowa, by Joe A. Yoder

We had a nice month, only one snow. Two mornings it was below zero. Coldest was 9 below.

Wilton, Wisconsin, by Jacob D. Hochstetler

December was a nice month with mild weather on the average. Temperatures ranging from 20 to 40. We had one cold spell the 18th with 10 below and a north wind. Not much snow, snowed three times. just enough to cover ground. We had rain on the 3rd and 13th.

Amherst, Wisconsin, by L. J. Borntrager

We had a very nice December. We had a few rains in the first part of the month. On the 14th we had a thunder shower, and temperature was 52. Snow was about all gone till eve, turned colder and temperature dropped to 32. We had several snows since, have a nice layer on the ground now. We also had a lot of cloudy days. Low was 10 below zero on the 15th, and wind from the west, but was warmer again since, around 20. We had a white Christmas.

Cashton, Wisconsin, by Joe C. Borntreger

The weather for December was mostly cloudy and very little snow. We had a few zero mornings, but the last week it was mostly in the 20's. We had thunder showers a few times in December.

Blair, Wisconsin, by Mrs. Moses S. Miller

We had a few inches of snow the fore part of Dec., but rains melted it again. Weather was quite mild till the 16th brought wind from the northwest. The 17th and 18th it was 8 below zero and windy, which resulted in frozen pipes in the barn. The latter part of the month is mild again with very little snow. Milk prices are up, $8 80 for 3.5 test.

Canton, Minnesota, by Chriss H. Stutzman

We had a mild December, a few cold spells. On the 17th it was down to 5 below, went only to 5 above zero all day, with a north wind. The 18th was the coldest with 7 below, warmed up to 20. The last week was exceptionally mild, but mostly cloudy days with temperature in the 20's. We had only a little snow here and there over Christmas. The egg price is up to 89¢ for large eggs, milk $9.10 for 3.5.

Wadena, Minnesota, by William M. Schrock Sr.

We had a lot of real nice weather all fall and in December. Our coldest morning was 16 below on the 17th, and our highest in the morning was 32 below on December 13th. Roads were icy at one time, and there was snow on the ground at the end on the month.

Grey County, Ontario, by Noah Stutzman

The month of November was an unusually nice fall month to get fall work done, with only a skiff of snow. December was warm to start, with thunder, lightning, and rain on November 30th and December 14th. We had several light snows that cutters started to go but then rain and warm weather took all the snow. Dec. 18th, cold snowy day; Dec. 19th, 5 above zero, 6 inches snow, snow plows were going; Dec. 21st, zero in low places.

Milverton, Ontario, by Israel Kuepfer

We had very nice fall weather through October, and finished filling silos. Had some rain and colder weather in November. Farmers are mostly done ploughing, which went kind of hard in some places in spite of the rain. Had about 8 inches snow the end of November and beginning of December, but it all melted, then had some more snow. On Sunday, the 14th we had thunder and lightning and snow was all gone. It was snowing again on the 17th, and was really cold for a few days but eased up and was nice over Christmas, but was snowing again.

St. Mary's (Lakeside), Ont., by Abe Hochstetler

It was colder first part of December with snow; general winter weather; coldest on the 21st of 5 below zero; no good sleighing roads yet. Fat cattle price down some; choice steers, $48 to 49.50; springer heifers, from $300 to $510 at Waterloo Sales; dressed hogs around $70; corn at $2.30 a bushel.

Lucknow, Ontario, by Edward Gingerich

We had mild weather all fall up to the last week in November, when it turned colder with snow. The first part of December was milder again and some plowing was done. On the 16th it started snowing and we had cold stormy weather the rest of the week, clearing on the 21st with the temperature down to zero. We had more snow the following week, then milder weather the last of the month. Due to the mail strike I was unable to send in a report the last two months.

Norwich, Ontario, by Daniel L. Stutzman

We had mostly winter-like weather during December with some good sledding on the roads. Quite a bit of snow melted on the 30th when we had rain. The coldest was on the 20th and 21st when it was around zero. Cob corn is $2.42 locally and down to $2.31 in some parts of Ontario. Top beef is $48 to 49.80 but good cows sell on the beef market for only around $23. Eight to ten week old pigs bring from $47 to $50 per piece.

THE BOILER EXPLOSION

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At that time there were Mennonite people living on the farm where Yost Yoders lived later, by the name of Dan Nussbaums, and there was a woods between their farm and the Miller farm. They claimed later that they saw Dan T. up in the air over the woods. They ran to see what had happened.

Dan's wife, Mary, had not yet arrived at the house when the explosion came. She turned and ran towards the barn but met the hired girl, Fannie, who told her she had better not go to the barn, so she turned again and went into the house.

When Dan came down he came through a small roof that had been built over the barn bridge. He landed on the den floor. His right leg was torn off above the knee. His foot with part of the leg flew over the barn and got caught in the fence on the east side of the barn. The other part of his leg was never found.

Dan P. Weaver was the first one of the neighbors to arrive after the explosion, but he said he could not do anything. He was in a state of shock. Next came Eli D. Hershberger, who lived three-fourth mile east of the Miller farm. When he heard the explosion he jumped on a horse and rode as fast as he could. When Eli found Dan he was still living. "Oh, my leg hurts so much," he said.

Eli told him that his leg was off and Dan asked what had happened. When Eli told him there had been an explosion he asked, "Where's Albert?"

"Albert is dead," Eli told him.

"Send word for all the children to come," were the last words he said. Several of the married children lived in Geauga County.

When the neighbors arrived they told Fannie to start ringing the bell. But she did not respond as she was in a state of shock. Then Andy was asked to ring the bell, but he did not understand either. But in a short time many bells were ringing in the neighborhood.

A blanket was brought for Dan to lay his head on and a doctor was sent for, but before the doctor arrived he was dead. He lived about forty-five minutes after the explosion.

Dan had a gash above his right ear, about a four-inch triangle with one corner hanging down over his ear. He was scalded over his chest so that the skin came off

W. M. Hostetler, who lived on the D. M. Kauffman farm at that time, said he saw Dan's foot come over the barn with the shoe and sock still on.

Albert was found north of the barn in three pieces. His body had been torn off at the waist and the legs torn apart. One leg was seventy-five yards from where the engine stood and parts of his body were found elsewhere.

When the Nussbaums arrived their daughter said to Fannie Yoder, "Come, let us go see where Albert is."

When they got to the peach tree, Fannie could go no further and turned around to go back, but the other girl went on and soon she called, "Here he is."

When more people had arrived a close search was made and both of their watches were found. They were still running at the time.

The boiler was under an apple tree seventy-five feet away and the firebox was turned end for end. The boiler had been ripped open lengthwise in line with the men's feet where Dan and Albert had been standing.

A long shaft with a big heavy wheel on one end came down just outside the door where Fannie and Jacob Swartzentruber had gone in only a few moments before. The shaft went into the driveway so that it stood on end with the heavy wheel on top. They also narrowly missed being hit by the water and steam from the boiler.

At Dave K. Troyers, two miles to the south, the house shook so that the windows rattled and the dishes in the cupboard moved.

The bodies were gathered up and cleaned as best as could be done. Albert's body was laid out in the little orchard close by the chicken house. The undertaker accidentally got his legs on wrong. But since it would be quite a job to change them they were left that way.

The bodies were put on boards and carried to the house. Because of the heat and the condition the bodies were in, they were kept on ice until they were taken to the cemetery.

Mary, Dan's wife, was in bed most of the time until after the funeral. Her son, Mahlon, had died that spring on May 9th. When her husband died she said, "I have not forgotten Mahlon yet as he was always so good to me. Not it's Dan and Albert."

The funeral services were held at the Dan P. Weaver home. Bishop Noah Bontrager of Howard County, Indiana and Samuel Yoder preached in the barn while Daniel D. Yoder and Daniel M. Wengerd preached in the house.

Noah Bontrager, who helped preach the funeral sermon, is still living. He resides in Holmes County, near Sugarcreek, Ohio.

The bodies were left at the Miller home and the people walked from the Weaver home to view them. Fifteen hundred people walked past the coffins. Burial was in the Hershberger Cemetery west of Mt. Eaton, Ohio.

Fannie Yoder, the hired girl, stayed until after Joni Millers moved in. Dan had gone after her only the day before the explosion. She had been hired so that he and his wife could go on a visit to Geauga County after the threshing was done. It was the second marriage for both Dan and Mary.

Dan was born on June 7, 1864 and Albert was born on November 27, 1898. Albert had been baptized in 1917. Those who joined church with Albert were: Mahlon Hostetler (the one that died May 9, same year), Albert Miller (explosion victim), Ezra Chupp (deceased), Ben D. Yoder (deceased), Tobe J. Yoder (deceased), Eli B. Weaver, Ben D. Miller (deceased), Sam D. Yoder, Enos Swartzentruber (deceased), Amanda (Hershberger) Mrs. Jacob Shetler, Berne, Indiana, Sarah (Yoder) Mrs. Emery Weaver, Ohio, Sarah D. Troyer (single), Mary Ann (Miller) Mrs. Ura Byler, Ohio, Cevilla Hershberger (deceased).

Grandma Mary was born on January 6, 1861 and died on November 3, 1943, at the age of eighty-two years.

Dan T. was my step-grandfather and this was the home where I was born two years later. I can well recall the fear I always had when I was a little girl and a steam engine would go by our place or come in to thresh for us. I had heard about the accident so often that I was afraid any engine would explode.

submitted by Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

CORRECTION – Benuel F. Stoltzfus, Kinzers R1, was ordained deacon and not minister as stated in the October issue, page 224.

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THE BOILER EXPLOSION – 1918

INTRODUCTION

Seeing the older generation is passing on and that there may soon be no one here to recall the things that happened long ago, we felt it would be nice to have a booklet printed of the steam engine explosion in which my stepgrandfather and his son, Albert, were killed. We have been considering this for some time and finally decided to go ahead and get it done so that the younger generation will have a record of these things.

After hearing that Eli D. Hershberger, of Holmesville, Ohio, can still recall quite a few of the happenings, we asked him and his wife to write it down for us. He also gathered information from Mrs. Jacob P. Weaver, Jacob J. Swartzentruber, Joe E. Kline, and Dan P. Weaver (now deceased).

We are also thankful to others who have given us information about this.

Mrs. Emanuel Slabaugh, Dalton, Ohio, was the only one who answered my request in The Budget as to who preached the funeral sermon. Her father had written it in a book.

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THE BOILER EXPLOSION

It was August 27, the year was 1918. The Dan T. Miller family was up early for it was threshing day. Dan T. and his son Albert were the operators of an old steamengine threshing rig.

The engine had been in need of repairs so it had been overhauled. The inspector was there the day before and okayed the engine. This morning they would start threshing on their own farm which was located one mile east of Maysville, Ohio. This is the farm which was later bought by my parents, Joni Millers, and my mother is still living in the small house. My brother Uriah now owns the farm.

Dan T., who was 54 years old, seemed extra happy that morning as he went about his work of firing up the engine. His wife, Mary, was busy helping with the chores around the barn. She went by close to the engine to feed a cluck with little chicks, and stopped to talk to her husband. The steam engine was an old one and Mary had some misgivings about it. "Do you think it is safe?" she asked her husband.

"Yes, it should be safe. The inspector said it was all right," he assured her. She finished tending the chicks and then started for the house.

Fannie A. Yoder (now Mrs. Jacob P. Weaver), the hired girl, was at the barn with a tea kettle of hot water to wash the cream separator. She was walking towards the water trough and Jacob Swartzentruber was walking with her. Jacob was hired hand for Peter E. Miller and had arrived already to help thresh. He was early, for most of the other neighbors had something else to do that morning at home and had not yet arrived.

Albert was helping his father with the engine, and a younger son, Andy, was standing outside the milkhouse by the barnyard fence.

It was decided to connect some water pipes and hose to the water trough in order to save hauling water with the water tank. Albert and Jacob Swartzentruber had been working with the hose. Jacob had been on the engine with Dan T. when Dan told him, "You go over to the water trough and let Albert come here to help me with the injectors."

Jacob walked towards the trough and Albert came and worked on the engine to get the water started into the boiler.

By this time the fire in the engine was burning hot and, unknown to the men, the water in the boiler had evaporated into steam. The boiler was soon very hot.

Dan was standing on the front wheel fixing something on the governor, and Albert was on the step on the side of the engine trying to get the water pumps working.

Suddenly the pumps began to work. There was a terrible explosion that was heard for miles around.

Several miles to the west, Ben Sausers, another experienced thresherman, who was firing up his engine on a farm near Applecreek, heard the explosion and exclaimed, "There goes Dan T's old pot!"

Among the early arrivals at the Miller farm that morning had been Godfred Master and Bob Haunstein, two laborers who had been hired to help with the threshing. These two men were sitting on some feed bags on the den floor in the barn waiting for the wagons to come. Terrified by the explosion, they hurried down the hayhole, raced through the barnyard, and left the farm as fast as they could go.

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